

**NHS BLOOD AND TRANSPLANT  
ORGAN DONATION AND TRANSPLANTATION DIRECTORATE  
MULTI-VISCERAL AND COMPOSITE TISSUE ADVISORY GROUP  
SUMMARY FROM STATISTICS AND CLINICAL STUDIES**

## INTRODUCTION

- 1 This paper provides an update from Statistics and Clinical Studies (SCS) and summarises recent presentations, current and future work in the area of intestinal transplantation.

## UPDATE FROM STATISTICS AND CLINICAL STUDIES

- 2 New and updated reports, all Advisory Group papers and conference presentations continue to be posted on the ODT Clinical Site [www.odt.nhs.uk](http://www.odt.nhs.uk).
- 3 The current lead statistician for intestinal transplantation, Elisa Allen, will be going on maternity leave for a year in April 2018. The new lead statistician for this area will be Sally Rushton.
- 4 Please note our arrangements for staff responsibilities, from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018.

Area	Lead	Support(s)
Donation	Susanna Madden	Rebecca Curtis
Organ retrieval	Kate Martin	Sophie Hughes
Enquiries	Mark Jones	<a href="mailto:Statistical.enquiries@nhsbt.nhs.uk">Statistical.enquiries@nhsbt.nhs.uk</a>
Kidney transplantation	Lisa Mumford	Chloe Brown, Matthew Robb
Pancreas transplantation	Claire Counter	Jo Bunnett
Liver transplantation	TBC	Rhiannon Taylor, Cathy Hopkinson, Agne Zarankaite
Intestine transplantation	Sally Rushton	Rachel Hogg
Cardiothoracic transplantation	Sally Rushton	Rachel Hogg

## PRESENTATIONS

- 5 A presentation was given by Dr Girish Gupte, on behalf of NHSBT SCS, at the UK Annual Intestinal Transplant Symposium held in Cambridge on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2017. The presentation was on the *Annual Report on Intestine Transplantation 2016/17*.
- 6 There were four presentations from statisticians during the NHSBT symposium opening session at the annual congress of the British Transplant Society in March, as well as a presentation on the impact of the Welsh opt-out legislation. The NHSBT Clinical Trials Unit had a stand at the congress promoting their involvement in organ donation and transplantation studies. If you are interested in setting up a trial you can contact them on [CTU@nhsbt.nhs.uk](mailto:CTU@nhsbt.nhs.uk).

**CURRENT AND FUTURE WORK**

- 7 Ongoing support to the Organ Donation and Transplantation (ODT) Directorate, and the ODT Hub team, in the implementation of the National Liver Offering Scheme, which works in synchrony with the National Bowel Allocation Scheme.
- 8 The HLA DSA post-intestinal transplantation data collection was introduced on 15 September 2017. We have continued reminding HLA laboratories of the data that are due for submission and recording data submitted to us.

**CLINICAL FELLOWS**

- 9 Our contract with NHS England funds two clinical fellows to support our programme of audits and analyses. One of these is an ongoing post in cardiothoracic transplantation and is based in Papworth. The second post is currently vacant and will be advertised early in 2018 as a fellow to work in abdominal organ transplantation. Prof. John Forsythe and Rachel Johnson will be appointing to this post. Information about recruitment to this post will be sent out in due course.
- 10 In addition, NHSBT has recently funded a clinical fellow to work in organ utilisation alongside Mr Chris Callaghan and the Statistics team. The interviews were held in November and the fellow appointed is expected to start early in 2018.

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**Statistics and Clinical Studies**

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