

Northern Ireland Organ Donation Services Team

Taking Organ Transplantation to 2020

In 2017/18, from 52 consented donors the Northern Ireland Organ Donation Services Team facilitated 40 actual solid organ donors resulting in 109 patients receiving a life-saving or life-changing transplant.

In addition to the 40 proceeding donors there were 12 additional consented donors that did not proceed.

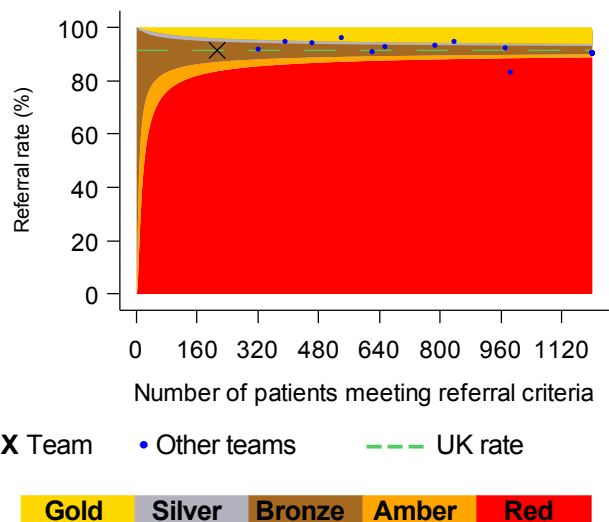
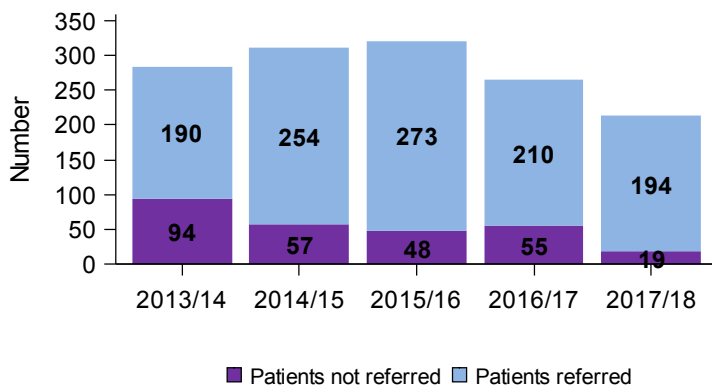
Best quality of care in organ donation

Referral of potential deceased organ donors

Goal: Every patient who meets the referral criteria should be identified and referred to NHS Blood and Transplant's Organ Donation Service

Aim: There should be no purple on the chart

Aim: The team (marked with a cross) should fall within Bronze, Silver, or Gold



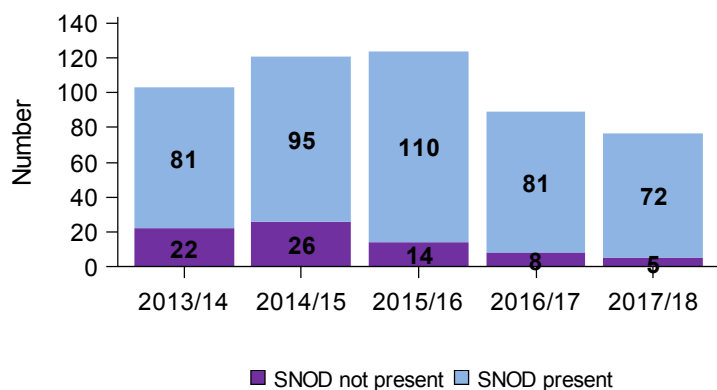
194 potential organ donors were referred to the team during 2017/18. There were 19 occasions where potential organ donors were not referred.

When compared with UK performance, the performance within the Trusts in the team was average (bronze) for referral of potential organ donors to NHS Blood and Transplant.

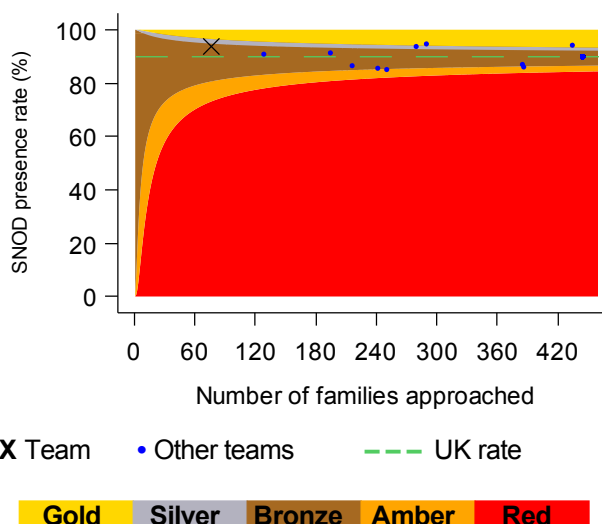
Presence of Specialist Nurse for Organ Donation

Goal: A Specialist Nurse for Organ Donation (SNOD) should be present during every organ donation discussion with families

Aim: There should be no purple on the chart



Aim: The team (marked with a cross) should fall within Bronze, Silver, or Gold



A SNOD was present for 72 organ donation discussions with families during 2017/18. There were 5 occasions where a SNOD was not present.

When compared with UK performance, the performance within the Trusts in the team was average (bronze) for SNOD presence when approaching families to discuss organ donation.

Further information

Further information on potential donors after brain death (DBD) and potential donors after circulatory death (DCD) within the region are shown below, including a UK comparison.

	DBD		DCD		Deceased donors	
	Northern Ireland	UK	Northern Ireland	UK	Northern Ireland	UK
Patients meeting organ donation referral criteria ¹	58	1954	168	6281	213	7978
Referred to Organ Donation Service	56	1929	150	5615	194	7302
<i>Referral rate %</i>	B 97%	99%	B 89%	89%	B 91%	92%
Neurological death tested	43	1676				
<i>Testing rate %</i>	A 74%	86%				
Eligible donors ²	42	1582	103	4456	145	6038
Family approached	40	1471	37	1858	77	3329
Family approached and SNOD present	38	1394	34	1591	72	2985
<i>% of approaches where SNOD present</i>	B 95%	95%	B 92%	86%	B 94%	90%
Consent ascertained	28	1066	23	1115	51	2181
<i>Consent rate %</i>	B 70%	72%	B 62%	60%	B 66%	66%
Actual donors (PDA data)	25	955	15	613	40	1568
<i>% of consented donors that became actual donors</i>	89%	90%	65%	55%	78%	72%

¹ DBD - A patient with suspected neurological death
DCD - A patient in whom imminent death is anticipated, ie a patient receiving assisted ventilation, a clinical decision to withdraw treatment has been made and death is anticipated within 4 hours

² DBD - Death confirmed by neurological tests and no absolute contraindications to solid organ donation
DCD - Imminent death anticipated and treatment withdrawn with no absolute contraindications to solid organ donation

Note that a patient that meets both the referral criteria for DBD and DCD organ donation is featured in both the DBD and DCD data but will only be counted once in the deceased donors total

Gold **Silver** **Bronze** **Amber** **Red**

For further information, including definitions, see the latest Potential Donor Audit report at www.odt.nhs.uk/statistics-and-reports/potential-donor-audit/