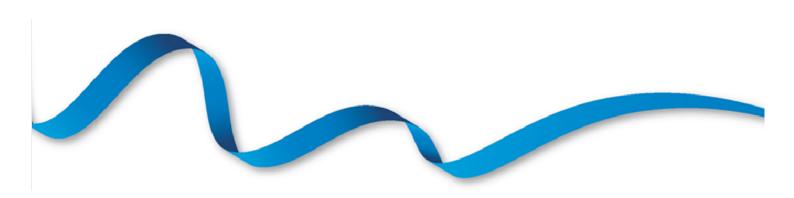


# Detailed Report Actual and Potential Deceased Organ Donation 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018

**South Wales Organ Donation Services Team** 





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- The latest PDA Annual Report is available at http://www.odt.nhs.uk/statistics-and-reports/potential-donor-audit/
- Please refer any queries or requests for further information to your local Specialist Nurse Organ Donation (SNOD)

### Source

NHS Blood and Transplant: UK Transplant Registry (UKTR), Potential Donor Audit (PDA) and Referral Record. Issued May 2018 based on data meeting PDA criteria reported at 9 May 2018.



## 1. Donor Outcomes

A summary of the number of donors, patients transplanted, average number of organs donated per donor and organs donated.

## Data in this section is obtained from the UK Transplant Registry

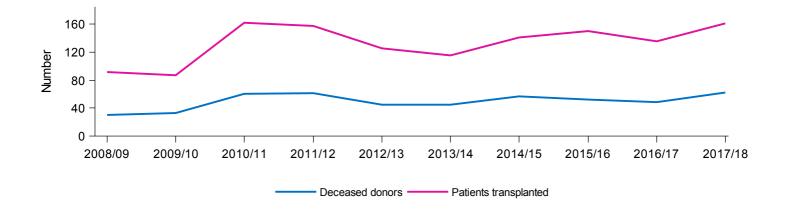
Between 1 April 2017 and 31 March 2018, the South Wales Organ Donation Services Team facilitated 62 deceased solid organ donors, resulting in 161 patients receiving a transplant. Additional information is shown in Tables 1.1 and 1.2, along with comparison data for 2016/17. Figure 1.1 shows the number of donors and patients transplanted for the previous ten periods for comparison.

Table 1.1 Donors, patients transplanted and organs per donor, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018 (1 April 2016 - 31 March 2017 for comparison)									
Donor type	Number of donors	Number of patients transplanted	Average number of donated per of South Wales	•					
DBD DCD DBD and DCD	36 (32) 26 (17) 62 (49)	107 (100) 54 (35) 161 (135)	3.8 (3.5) 2.7 (2.8) 3.3 (3.3)	3.7 (3.7) 2.8 (2.7) 3.3 (3.3)					

In addition to the 62 proceeding donors there were 36 additional consented donors that did not proceed, 7 where DBD organ donation was being facilitated and 29 where DCD organ donation was being facilitated.

Table 1.2 Organs transplanted by type, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018 (1 April 2016 - 31 March 2017 for comparison)									
Donor type	Kidney		ber of organs Liver	transplanted b Heart	y type Lung	Small bowel			
DBD DCD DBD and DCD	43 (2	7 (9) 7) 5 (1) 2) 12 (10)	28 (30) 10 (7) 38 (37)	11 (5) 0 (0) 11 (5)	12 (4) 0 (4) 12 (8)	2 (0) 0 (0) 2 (0)			

Figure 1.1 Number of donors and patients transplanted, 1 April 2008 - 31 March 2018





## 2. Key Rates in

## **Potential for Organ Donation**

A summary of the key rates on the potential for organ donation

## Data in this section is obtained from the National Potential Donor Audit (PDA)

This section presents specific percentage measures of potential donation activity for the South Wales Organ Donation Services Team.

Performance in the team has been compared with UK performance in both Figure 2.1 and Table 2.1 using funnel plot boundaries and the Gold, Silver, Bronze, Amber, and Red (GoSBAR) colour scheme. When compared with UK performance, gold represents exceptional, silver represents good, bronze represents average, amber represents below average, and red represents poor performance. See Appendix A.3 for funnel plot ranges used.

It is acknowledged that the PDA does not capture all activity. In total there were 39 patients referred in 2017/18 who are not included in this section onwards because they were either over 80 years of age or did not die in a unit participating in the PDA. None of these are included in Section 1 because they did not become a solid organ donor.

Goal: The agreed 2017/18 national targets for DBD and DCD consent rates are 73% and 67%, respectively.

Figure 2.1 Key rates on the potential for organ donation including UK comparison, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018

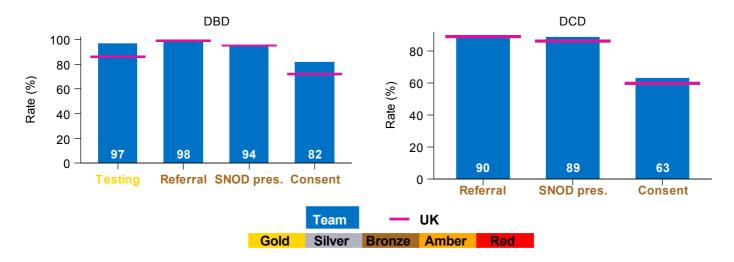


Figure 2.2 Trends in key rates on the potential for organ donation, 1 April 2013 - 31 March 2018

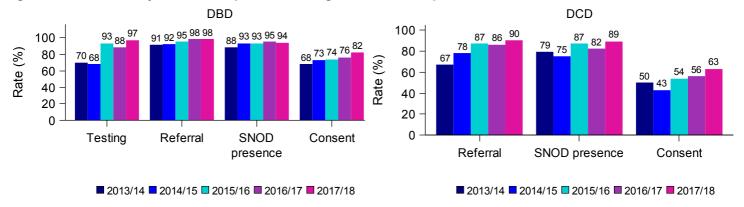




Table 2.1 Key numbers, rates and comparison with national rates, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018

	DBD South			DCD South			Deceased don South		donors
	_	/ales	UK	_	ales	UK	_	ales	UK
Patients meeting organ donation referral criteria <sup>1</sup>		65	1954		258	6281		322	7978
Referred to Organ Donation Service		64	1929		232	5615		295	7302
Referral rate %	В	98%	99%	В	90%	89%	В	92%	92%
Neurological death tested		63	1676						
Testing rate %	G	97%	86%						
Eligible donors <sup>2</sup>		57	1582		203	4456		260	6038
Family approached		50	1471		79	1858		129	3329
Family approached and SNOD present		47	1394		70	1591		117	2985
% of approaches where SNOD present	В	94%	95%	В	89%	86%	В	91%	90%
Consent ascertained		41	1066		50	1115		91	2181
Consent rate %	В	82%	72%	В	63%	60%	В	71%	66%
Actual donors (PDA data)		36	955		26	613		62	1568
% of consented donors that became actual donors		88%	90%		52%	55%		68%	72%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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

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

Note that from 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018 there were 2 eligible DCD donors for whom consent for donation was ascertained who are not included in this section because they were either over 80 years of age or did not die in a unit participating in the PDA.

From 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018 there was one eligible DCD donor for whom consent for donation was ascertained who is not included in this section because they were facilitated in a neonatal ICU.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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



## 3. Best quality of care in organ donation

Key stages in best quality of care in organ donation

## Data in this section is obtained from the National Potential Donor Audit (PDA)

This section provides information on the quality of care in the South Wales Organ Donation Services Team at the key stages of organ donation. The ambition is that the team misses no opportunity to make a transplant happen and that opportunities are maximised at every stage.

## 3.1 Neurological death testing

Goal: neurological death tests are performed wherever possible.

Figure 3.1 Number of patients with suspected neurological death, 1 April 2013 - 31 March 2018

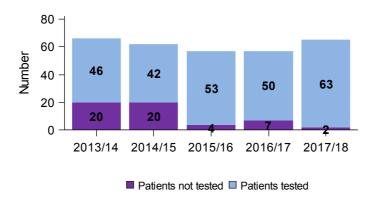


Table 3.1 Reasons given for neurological death tests not I 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018	peing performe	ed,
	South	
	Wales	UK
Biochemical/endocrine abnormality	-	26
Clinical reason/Clinicians decision	-	64
Continuing effects of sedatives	-	17
Family declined donation	-	18
Family pressure not to test	-	21
Hypothermia	-	1
Inability to test all reflexes	_	12
Medical contraindication to donation	_	6
Other	_	18
Patient had previously expressed a wish not to donate	_	2
Patient haemodynamically unstable	1	69
Pressure on ICU beds	1	
SN-OD advised that donor not suitable	=	3 9 9 3
Treatment withdrawn	=	9
Unknown	-	3
Total	2	278
If 'other', please contact your local SNOD or CLOD for more infe	ormation, if requ	uired.

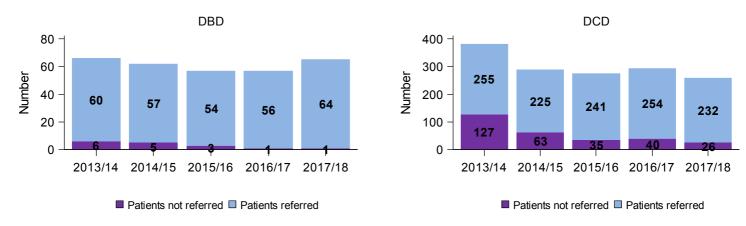


## 3.2 Referral to Organ Donation Service

Goal: Every patient who meets the referral criteria should be identified and referred to the Organ Donation Service, as per NICE CG135¹ and NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT) Best Practice Guidance on timely identification and referral of potential organ donors².

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Figure 3.2 Number of patients meeting referral criteria, 1 April 2013 - 31 March 2018



	DBI	D	DCI	D
	South Wales	UK	South Wales	UK
Clinician assessed that patient was unlikely to become asystolic vithin 4 hours	-	-	1	7
Coroner/Procurator Fiscal Reason	-	1	-	3
amily declined donation after neurological testing	1	2	-	_
amily declined donation following decision to withdraw treatment	-	_	3	24
amily declined donation prior to neurological testing	-	2	-	3
Medical contraindications	-	1	8	110
leurological death not confirmed	-	1	_	-
lot identified as a potential donor/organ donation not considered	-	10	11	32
Other	-	5	-	76
atient had previously expressed a wish not to donate	-	-	1	2
ressure on ICU beds	-	-	_	7
Reluctance to approach family	-	2	1	8
hought to be medically unsuitable	-	1	1	10
<b>Total</b>	1	25	26	666



## 3.3 Contraindications

Table 3.3 shows the primary absolute medical contraindications to solid organ donation, if applicable, for potential DBD donors confirmed dead by neurological death tests and potential DCD donors in the team.

Active (not in remission) haematological malignancy (myeloma, lymphoma,	DBI South Wales	D UK	DC South	D
		ПК	South	
			Wales	UK
	1	15	10	212
leukaemia) All secondary intracerebral tumours				2
Any active cancer with evidence of spread outside affected organ within 3	2	<u>-</u> 41	24	605
years of donation	_	71	2-1	000
Choriocarcinoma	_	_	_	1
Definite, probable or possible case of human TSE, including CJD and	-	_	-	2
vCJD				
HIV disease (but not HIV infection)	-	2	-	14
Human TSE, CJD or vCJD; blood relatives with CJD; other infectious	-	-	-	6
neurodegenerative diseases				
Melanoma (except completely excised Stage 1 cancers)	-	4	1	9
No transplantable organ in accordance with organ specific	1	19	2	306
contraindications				
Other neurodegenerative diseases associated with infectious agents	-	-	-	1
Primary intra-cerebral lymphoma	-	-	1	3 17
TB: active and untreated	-	3	3	
Total	4	84	41	1178



### 3.4 SNOD presence

Goal: A SNOD should be present during the formal family approach as per NICE CG135<sup>1</sup> and NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT) Best Practice Guidance.<sup>3</sup>

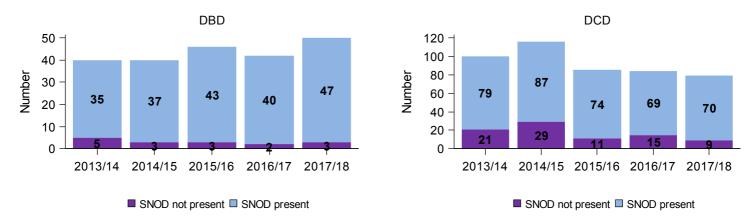
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In the UK, in 2017/18, when a SNOD was not present for the approach to the family to discuss organ donation, DBD and DCD consent rates were 36% and 18%, respectively, compared with DBD and DCD consent rates of 74% and 67%, respectively, when a SNOD was present.

Within the Health Boards in the team, when a SNOD was not present for the approach to the family to discuss organ donation, DBD and DCD consent rates were 33% and 33%, respectively, compared with DBD and DCD consent rates of 85% and 67%, respectively, when a SNOD was present.

Every approach to those close to the patient should be planned with the multidisciplinary team (MDT), should involve the SNOD and should be clearly planned taking into account the known wishes of the patient. The NHS Organ Donor Register (ODR) should be checked in all cases of potential donation and this information must be discussed with the family as it represents the eligible donor's legal consent to donation.

Figure 3.3 Number of families approached by SNOD presence, 1 April 2013 - 31 March 2018



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> NICE, 2011. NICE Clinical Guidelines - CG135 [accessed 9 May 2018]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> NHS Blood and Transplant, 2012. *Timely Identification and Referral of Potential Organ Donors - A Strategy for Implementation of Best Practice* [accessed 9 May 2018]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> NHS Blood and Transplant, 2013. Approaching the Families of Potential Organ Donors – Best Practice Guidance [accessed 9 May 2018]

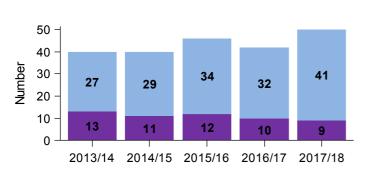


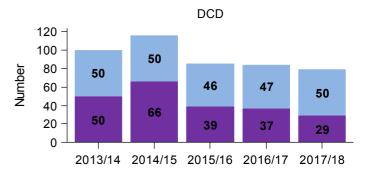
### 3.5 Consent

## Goal: The agreed 2017/18 national targets for DBD and DCD consent rates are 73% and 67%, respectively.

In 2017/18 the DBD and DCD consent rates in the team were 82% and 63%, respectively.

Figure 3.4 Number of families approached, 1 April 2013 - 31 March 2018





■ Consent not ascertained ■ Consent ascertained

■ Consent not ascertained ■ Consent ascertained

Table 3.4 Reasons given why consent was not ascertained, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018

		DBD		D
	South		South	
	Wales	UK	Wales	UK
Families concerned about organ allocation	-	=	-	1
Family concerned donation may delay the funeral	-	2	-	1
Family concerned that organs may not be transplanted	-	2	_	11
Family did not believe in donation	-	13	1	29
Family did not want surgery to the body	1	52	1	72
Family felt it was against their religious/cultural beliefs	-	44	2	25
Family felt the body needs to be buried whole (unrelated to	-	39	-	24
religious or cultural reasons)				
Family felt the length of time for donation process was too long	2	23	9	128
Family felt the patient had suffered enough	-	15	1	57
Family had difficulty understanding/accepting neurological testing	-	3	-	-
Family wanted to stay with the patient after death	-	-	2	9
Family were divided over the decision	_	21	-	26
Family were not sure whether the patient would have agreed to	2	65	1	103
donation				
Other	1	24	3	79
Patient previously expressed a wish not to donate	3	91	9	162
Strong refusal - probing not appropriate	_	11	-	16
Total	9	405	29	743

If 'other', please contact your local SNOD or CLOD for more information, if required.



## 3.6 Solid organ donation

Goal: NHSBT is committed to supporting transplant units to ensure as many organs as possible are safely transplanted. The strategy for achieving this, including steps to minimising warm ischaemic injury in proceeding DCD donors, is set out in NHSBT Taking Organ Utilisation to 2020

Table 3.5 Reasons why solid organ donation did not occur, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018

	DBI South	D	DC South	D
	Wales	UK	Wales	UK
Cardiac Arrest	-	-	-	6
Coroner/Procurator Fiscal refusal	-	19	-	15
Family changed mind	=	4	-	25
Family placed conditions on donation	=	1	-	-
General instability	3	17	1	36
Logistic reasons	-	1	-	1
Organs deemed medically unsuitable by recipient centres	1	40	14	146
Organs deemed medically unsuitable on surgical inspection	1	17	1	8
Other	=	3	-	35
Positive virology	-	9	-	9
Prolonged time to asystole	-	-	8	221
Total	5	111	24	502

If 'other', please contact your local SNOD or CLOD for more information, if required.

Taking Organ Utilisation to 2020 [accessed 9 May 2018]

 $<sup>^{4}\,\</sup>mathrm{NHS}$  Blood and Transplant, 2017.



## 4. Comparative Data

## A comparison of performance in your team with national data

## Data in this section is obtained from the National Potential Donor Audit (PDA)

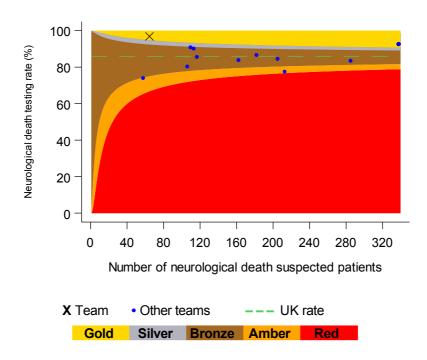
This section compares the quality of care in the key areas of organ donation in the South Wales Organ Donation Services team with the UK rate using funnel plots. The UK rate is shown as a green dashed line and the funnel shape is formed by the 95% and 99.8% confidence limits around the UK rate. The confidence limits reflect the level of precision of the UK rate relative to the number of observations. Performance in the team is indicated by a black cross. The Gold, Silver, Bronze, Amber, and Red colour scheme is used to indicate whether performance in the team, when compared to UK performance, is exceptional (gold), good (silver), average (bronze), below average (amber) or poor (red).

It is important to note that the differences in patient mix have not been accounted for in these plots. Further to these, separate funnel plots for DBD and DCD rates are presented in Section 8.

## 4.1 Neurological death testing

Goal: neurological death tests are performed wherever possible.

Figure 4.1 Funnel plot of neurological death testing rate, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018



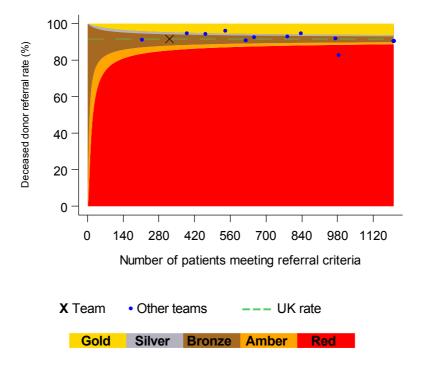
When compared with UK performance, the performance within the Health Boards in the team was exceptional (gold) for neurological death testing.



## 4.2 Referral to Organ Donation Service

Goal: Every patient who meets the referral criteria should be identified and referred to NHSBT's Organ Donation Service, as per NICE CG135¹ and NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT) Best Practice Guidance on timely identification and referral of potential organ donors².

Figure 4.2 Funnel plot of deceased donor referral rate, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018



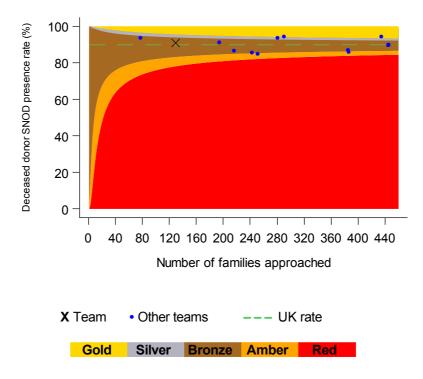
When compared with UK performance, the performance within the Health Boards in the team was average (bronze) for referral of potential organ donors to NHS Blood and Transplant's Organ Donation Service.



## 4.3 SNOD presence

Goal: A SNOD should be present during the formal family approach as per NICE CG135¹ and NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT) Best Practice Guidance.³

Figure 4.3 Funnel plot of SNOD presence rate, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018



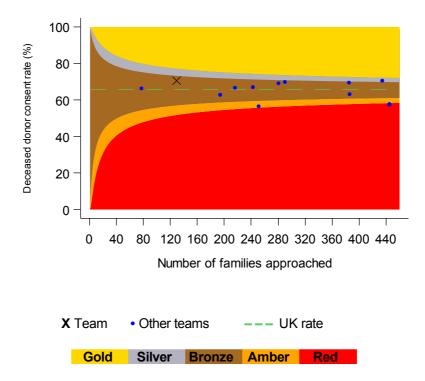
When compared with UK performance, the performance within the Health Boards in the team was average (bronze) for Specialist Nurse presence when approaching families to discuss organ donation.



## 4.4 Consent

Goal: The agreed 2017/18 national targets for DBD and DCD consent rates are 73% and 67%, respectively.

Figure 4.4 Funnel plot of consent rate, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018



When compared with UK performance, the consent rate within the Health Boards in the team was average (bronze).



## 5. PDA data by hospital and unit

## A summary of key numbers and rates from the PDA by hospital and unit where patient died

## Data in this section is obtained from the National Potential Donor Audit (PDA)

Tables 5.1 and 5.2 show the key numbers and rates for patients who met the DBD and/or DCD referral criteria, respectively. Percentages have been excluded where numbers are less than 10.

Table 5.1		nts who me il 2017 <i>-</i> 31			rral criteria	a - key	numbers a	and rates,				
Patients where neurological death was suspected	Patients tested	Neurological death testing rate (%)	Patients referred	DBD referral rate (%)	Patients confirmed dead by neurological testing	Eligible DBD donors	Eligible DBD donors whose family were approached	Approaches where SNOD involved	SNOD presence rate (%)	Consent ascertained	Consent rate (%)	Actual DBD and DCD donors from eligible DBD donors
Abertawe Bro N	/lorgannwg	University Heal	th Board									
13	13	100	13	100	13	12	10	8	80	8	80	6
Aneurin Bevan	Health Boa	ard										
6	6	-	6	-	6	6	6	6	-	6	-	6
Cardiff And Val	le Health B	oard										
25	23	92	24	96	23	23	21	20	95	16	76	14
Cwm Taf Healt	h Board											
10	10	100	10	100	9	9	7	7	-	7	-	6
Hywel Dda Hea	alth Board											
7	7	-	7	-	7	5	4	4	-	3	-	3
Wye Valley NF	IS Trust											
4	4	-	4	-	3	2	2	2	-	1	-	1

Table 5.2					eria - key n	umbers an	nd rates,			
Patients for whom imminent death was anticipated	Patients referred	DCD referral rate (%)	Patients for whom treatment was withdrawn	Eligible DCD donors	Eligible DCD donors whose family were approached	Approaches where SNOD involved	SNOD presence rate (%)	Consent ascertained	Consent rate (%)	Actual DCD donors from eligible DBD donors
Abertawe Bro M	organnwg Univ	versity Health I	Board							
40	35	88	39	30	12	11	92	4	33	0
Aneurin Bevan F 59	Health Board 56	95	54	44	16	14	88	11	69	4
Cardiff And Vale										
82	71	87	78	68	33	30	91	23	70	14
Cwm Taf Health 30	Board 24	80	29	27	8	7	-	5	-	5
Hywel Dda Heal	th Board									
37	37	100	37	29	8	7	-	6	-	3
Wye Valley NHS	S Trust	00	7	-	0	4		4		0
10	9	90	/	5		1	-	1	-	U

Tables 5.1 and 5.2 show the hospital where the patient died. However, it is acknowledged that there are some occasions where a patient is referred in an Emergency Department but moves to a critical care unit. In total for the team in 2017/18 there were 14 such patients. For more information regarding the Emergency Department please see Section 7.



## 6. Paediatric ICU data

## A summary of key numbers for paediatric ICUs

## Data in this section is obtained from the National Potential Donor Audit (PDA)

End of life care guidance and practice for paediatric patients does differ and care of the family unit as a whole is a core key principle. Paediatric Intensive Care Units (PICU) systems should never prevent families being offered the opportunity to donate if this is a possibility.

This section provides information on the quality of care for patients that died in PICUs in the South Wales Organ Donation Services team at the key stages of organ donation. The ambition is that your PICU misses no opportunity to make a transplant happen and that opportunities are maximised at every stage.

### 6.1 Key numbers for PICUs

Table 6.1 PICU key numbers comparison with national rates, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018

	DBD South		DC South	D	Deceased donors South	
	Wales	UK	Wales	UK	Wales	UK
Patients meeting organ donation referral criteria <sup>1</sup>	1	79	5	192	6	244
Referred to Organ Donation Service	0	74	5	158	5	207
Referral rate %		94%		82%		85%
Neurological death tested	1	53				
Testing rate %		67%				
Eligible donors <sup>2</sup>	1	48	5	150	6	198
Family approached	1	38	3	67	4	105
Family approached and SNOD present	0	28	3	46	3	74
% of approaches where SNOD present		74%		69%		70%
Consent ascertained	0	23	1	22	1	45
Consent rate %		61%		33%		43%
Actual donors (PDA data)	0	21	1	13	1	34
% of consented donors that became actual donors		91%		59%		76%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> DBD - A patient with suspected neurological death

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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



## 6.2 Neurological death testing in PICUs

Goal: neurological death tests are performed wherever possible.

Figure 6.1 Number of patients with suspected neurological death in PICUs, 1 April 2013 - 31 March 2018

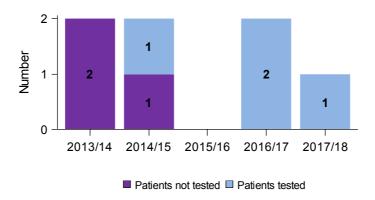


Table 6.2 Reasons given for neurological death tests not being performed in PICUs,

South

1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018

	South	
	Wales	UK
Biochemical/endocrine abnormality	-	4
Clinical reason/Clinicians decision	-	6
Continuing effects of sedatives	-	4
Family declined donation	-	1
Family pressure not to test	_	1
Medical contraindication to donation	-	1
Other	-	2
Patient haemodynamically unstable	-	5
SN-OD advised that donor not suitable	-	1
Unknown	-	1
Total	-	26

If 'other', please contact your local SNOD or CLOD for more information, if required.

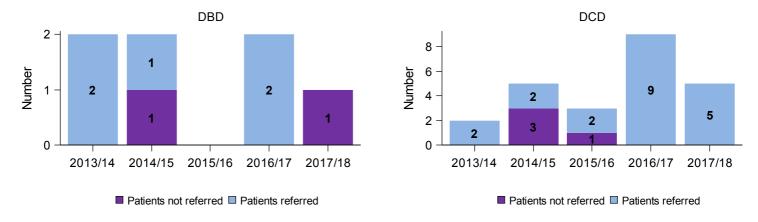


## 6.3 Referral to Organ Donation Service in PICUs

Goal: Every patient who meets the referral criteria should be identified and referred to the Organ Donation Service, as per NICE CG135¹ and NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT) Best Practice Guidance on timely identification and referral of potential organ donors².

Aim: There should be no purple on the following charts.

Figure 6.2 Number of patients meeting referral criteria in PICUs, 1 April 2013 - 31 March 2018



	DBI	D	DCI	D
	South Wales	UK	South Wales	UK
Coroner/Procurator Fiscal Reason	vvales -	UK 1	vvales -	UK 1
Family declined donation after neurological testing	1	2	_	-
Family declined donation following decision to withdraw treatment	_	-	_	2
Medical contraindications	-	-	-	3
Neurological death not confirmed	_	1	-	-
Not identified as a potential donor/organ donation not considered	_	-	-	12
Other	_	1	-	12
Thought to be medically unsuitable	_	-	-	4
Total	1	5	-	34



## 6.4 Contraindications in PICUs

Table 6.4 shows the primary absolute medical contraindications to solid organ donation in PICUs, if applicable, for potential DBD donors confirmed dead by neurological death tests and potential DCD donors in the team.

Table 6.4	Primary absolute medical contraindications	to solid organ donation in PICUs,
	1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018	_

	DBI South	D	DCD South		
	Wales	UK	Wales	UK	
Active (not in remission) haematological malignancy	_	1	-	6	
(myeloma, lymphoma, leukaemia)				_	
All secondary intracerebral tumours	-	-	=	1	
Any active cancer with evidence of spread outside affected organ within 3 years of donation	-	1	-	7	
No transplantable organ in accordance with organ specific contraindications	-	-	-	9	
Total	-	2	-	23	

If 'other', please contact your local SNOD or CLOD for more information, if required.

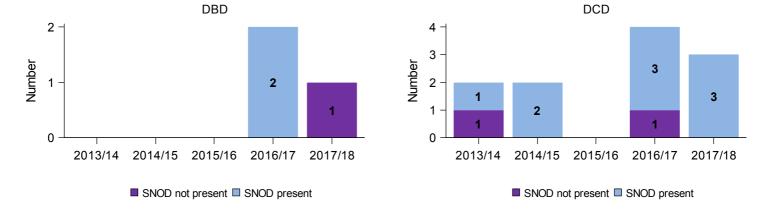


## 6.5 SNOD presence for patients in PICUs

Goal: A SNOD should be present during the formal family approach as per NICE CG135¹ and NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT) Best Practice Guidance.³

Aim: There should be no purple on the following charts.

Figure 6.3 Number of families of PICU patients approached by SNOD presence, 1 April 2013 - 31 March 2018



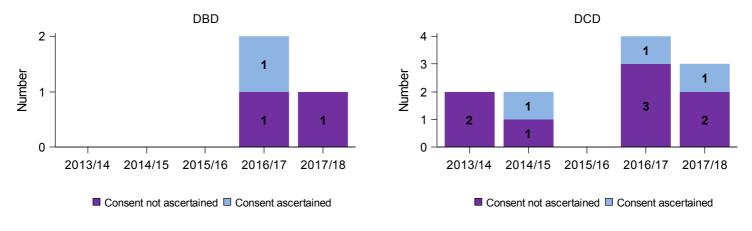


## 6.6 Consent for patients in PICUs

Goal: The agreed 2017/18 combined adult and paediatric national targets for DBD and DCD consent rates are 73% and 67%, respectively.

In 2017/18 less than 10 families of eligible donors, facilitated in the PICU, were approached to discuss organ donation in the team therefore consent rates are not presented.

Figure 6.4 Number of families of PICU patients approached, 1 April 2013 - 31 March 2018



	DBI	DCD South		
	South			
	Wales	UK	Wales	UK
Families concerned about organ allocation	-	-	-	1
amily did not want surgery to the body	-	1	=	12
Family felt it was against their religious/cultural beliefs	-	3	-	1
Family felt the body needs to be buried whole (unrelated to	-	=	-	3
religious or cultural reasons)				
Family felt the length of time for donation process was too long	_	1	2	4
Family felt the patient had suffered enough	-	2	-	10
Family wanted to stay with the patient after death	-	-	-	1
Family were divided over the decision	-	1	-	1
Other	1	5	-	12
Strong refusal - probing not appropriate	_	2	_	-
Total	1	15	2	45



## 6.7 Solid organ donation in PICUs

Goal: NHSBT is committed to supporting transplant units to ensure as many organs as possible are safely transplanted. The strategy for achieving this, including steps to minimising warm ischaemic injury in proceeding DCD donors, is set out in NHSBT Taking Organ Utilisation to 2020 <sup>4</sup>.

Table 6.6 Reasons why solid organ donation did not occur in PICUs, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018

	DBI South	D	DCD South		
	Wales	UK	Wales	UK	
Coroner/Procurator Fiscal refusal	-	1	-	2	
Family changed mind	-	-	-	3	
Logistic reasons	-	-	-	1	
Organs deemed medically unsuitable by recipient centres	-	-	-	1	
Positive virology	-	1	-	-	
Prolonged time to asystole	-	-	-	2	
Total	-	2	-	9	

If 'other', please contact your local SNOD or CLOD for more information, if required.



## 7. Emergency Department data

## A summary of key numbers for Emergency Departments

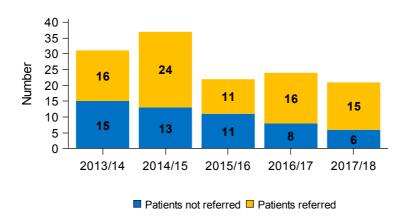
## Data in this section is obtained from the National Potential Donor Audit (PDA)

Most patients who go on to become organ donors start their journey in the emergency department (ED). Deceased donation is important, not just for those people waiting on the transplant list, but also because many people in the UK have expressed a decision in life to become organ donors after their death. The overarching principle of the NHSBT Organ donation and Emergency Department strategy <sup>5</sup> is that best quality of care in organ donation should be followed irrespective of the location of the patient within the hospital at the time of death.

## 7.1 Referral to Organ Donation Service

Goal: No one dies in your ED meeting referral criteria and is not referred to NHSBT's Organ Donation Service. Aim: There should be no blue on the following chart.

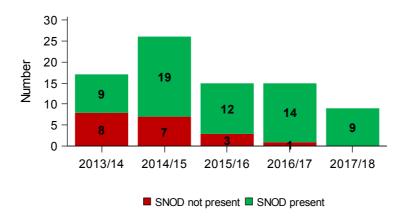
Figure 7.1 Number of patients meeting referral criteria that died in the ED, 1 April 2013 - 31 March 2018



## 7.2 Organ donation discussions

Goal: No family is approached in ED regarding organ donation without a SNOD present. Aim: There should be no red on the following chart.

Figure 7.2 Number of families approached in ED by SNOD presence, 1 April 2013 - 31 March 2018



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> NHS Blood and Transplant, 2016.

Organ Donation and the Emergency Department [accessed 9 May 2018]



## 8. Additional data and figures

Key numbers and rates on the potential for organ donation

Data in this section is obtained from the National Potential Donor Audit (PDA)

## 8.1 Trust/Board Level Benchmarking

Trust/Board levels were reallocated in July 2016 using the average number of donors in 2014/15 and 2015/16, Table 8.1 shows the criteria used and how many Trusts/Boards belong to each level.

Table 8.1 Tr	ust/Board level categories	
		Number of Trusts Boards in each level
Level 1	12 or more proceeding donors per year	33
Level 2	5-12 proceeding donors per year	45
Level 3	3-5 proceeding donors per year	47
Level 4	<3 proceeding donors per year	46

Tables 8.2 and 8.3 show the national DBD and DCD key numbers and rates for the UK by Trust/Board level, to aid in comparison with equivalent Trusts/Boards. Note that percentages have been excluded where numbers are less than 10.

Table	Table 8.2 National DBD key numbers and rate by Trust/Board level, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018												
	Patients where neurological death was suspected	Patients tested	Neurological death testing rate (%)	Patients referred	DBD referral rate (%)	Patients confirmed dead by neurological testing	Eligible DBD donors	Eligible DBD donors whose family were approached	Approaches where SNOD present	SNOD presence rate (%)	Consent ascertained	Consent rate (%)	Actual DBD and DCD donors from eligible DBD donors
Level 1	1012	893	88	1002	99	878	843	791	753	95	560	71	510
Level 2	416	352	85	413	99	341	328	302	283	94	220	73	192
Level 3	322	272	84	320	99	265	255	240	230	96	184	77	165
Level 4	204	159	78	194	95	157	156	138	128	93	102	74	88

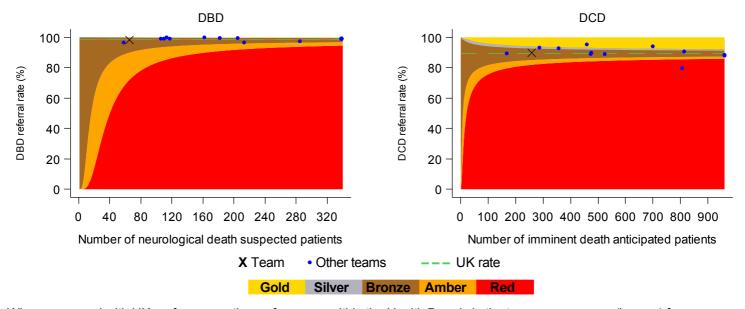
Table	8.3 National 1 April 2		key numb		ate by Tr	cust/Board  Eligible DCD donors whose	level,	SNOD			Actual DCD
	death was anticipated	Patients referred	referral rate (%)	treatment was withdrawn	Eligible DCD donors	family were approached	where SNOD present	presence rate (%)	Consent ascertained	Consent rate (%)	eligible DBD donors
Level 1	2612	2372	91	2384	1906	978	841	86	596	61	349
Level 2	1510	1342	89	1355	1060	394	342	87	233	59	122
Level 3	1407	1253	89	1233	980	326	274	84	199	61	100
Level 4	752	648	86	668	510	160	134	84	87	54	42



### 8.2 Comparative data for DBD and DCD deceased donors

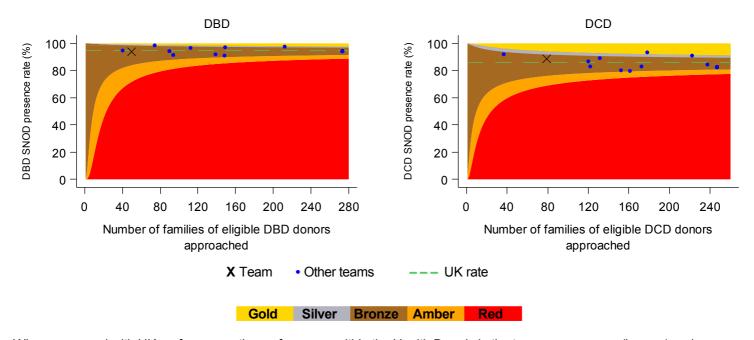
Funnel plots are presented in Section 4 showing performance in the team against the UK rate for deceased organ donation. The following funnel plots present data for DBD and DCD donors separately.

Figure 8.1 Funnel plots of referral rates, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018



When compared with UK performance, the performance within the Health Boards in the team was average (bronze) for referral of potential DBD organ donors and average (bronze) for referral of potential DCD organ donors to NHS Blood and Transplant's Organ Donation Service.

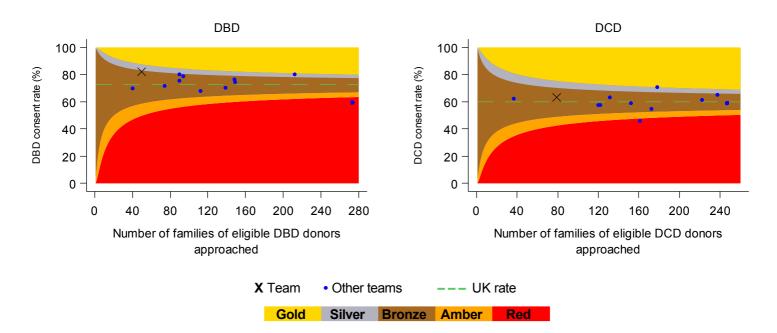
Figure 8.2 Funnel plots of SNOD presence rates, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018



When compared with UK performance, the performance within the Health Boards in the team was average (bronze) and average (bronze) for Specialist Nurse presence in approaches to families of eligible DBD and DCD donors, respectively.



Figure 8.3 Funnel plots of consent rates, 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018



When compared with UK performance, the consent rate within the Health Boards in the team was average (bronze) and average (bronze) for DBD and DCD donors, respectively.



## **Appendices**

### **Appendix A.1 Definitions**

### **Potential Donor Audit Definitions**

Potential Donor Audit inclusion criteria 1 October 2009 – 31 March 2010

All deaths in critical care in patients aged 75 and under, excluding

cardiothoracic intensive care units 1 April 2010 – 31 March 2013

All deaths in critical and emergency care in patients aged 75 and under,

excluding cardiothoracic intensive care units

1 April 2013 onwards

All deaths in critical and emergency care in patients aged 80 and under

## Donors after brain death (DBD) definitions

Suspected Neurological Death A patient who meets all of the following criteria: Apnoea, coma from known

aetiology and unresponsive, ventilated, fixed pupils. Excluding those not tested due to reasons 'cardiac arrest despite resuscitation', 'brainstem reflexes returned', 'neonates – less than 2 months post term'.

Potential DBD donor A patient who meets all four criteria for neurological death testing excluding

those not tested due to reasons 'cardiac arrest despite resuscitation', 'brainstem reflexes returned', 'neonates – less than 2 months post term' (ie

suspected neurological death, as defined above).

DBD referral criteria A patient with suspected neurological death

Discussed with Specialist Nurse – Organ Donation A patient with suspected neurological death discussed with the Specialist

Nurse – Organ Donation (SNOD)

Neurological death tested Neurological death tests were performed

Eligible DBD donor A patient confirmed dead by neurological death tests, with no absolute

medical contraindications to solid organ donation

Absolute contraindications Absolute medical contraindications to organ donation are listed here:

https://nhsbtdbe.blob.core.windows.net/umbraco-assets-corp/6455/

contraindications\_to\_organ\_donation.pdf

Family approached for formal organ donation discussion Family of eligible DBD asked to support patient's expressed or deemed

consent/authorisation, informed of a nominated/appointed representative, asked to make a decision on donation on behalf of their relative, or

informed of a patient's opt-out decision via the ODR.

Consent/authorisation ascertained Family supported expressed or deemed

consent/authorisation, nominated/appointed representative gave consent,

or where applicable family gave consent/authorisation

Actual donors: DBD Neurological death confirmed patients who became actual DBD as

reported through the PDA

Actual donors: DCD Neurological death confirmed patients who became actual DCD as

reported through the PDA

Neurological death testing rate Percentage of patients for whom neurological death was suspected who

were tested

Referral rate Percentage of patients for whom neurological death was suspected who

were discussed with the SNOD

Consent/authorisation rate Percentage of families or nominated/appointed representatives

approached for formal organ donation discussion where

consent/authorisation was ascertained



SNOD presence rate

Consent/authorisation rate where SNOD was present

Percentage of formal organ donation discussions with families or nominated/appointed representatives where a SNOD was present

Percentage of formal organ donation discussions with families or nominated/appointed representatives where a SNOD was present where

consent/authorisation was ascertained

## Donors after circulatory death (DCD) definitions

Imminent death anticipated A patient, not confirmed dead using neurological criteria, receiving assisted

ventilation, a clinical decision to withdraw treatment has been made and death is anticipated within a time frame to allow donation to occur, as

determined at time of assessment

DCD referral criteria A patient in whom imminent death is anticipated (as defined above)

Discussed with Specialist Nurse – Organ Donation Patients for whom imminent death was anticipated who were discussed

with the SNOD

Potential DCD donor A patient who had treatment withdrawn and death was anticipated within

four hours

Eligible DCD donor A patient who had treatment withdrawn and death was anticipated within

four hours, with no absolute medical contraindications to solid organ

donation

Absolute contraindications Absolute medical contraindications to organ donation are listed here:

https://nhsbtdbe.blob.core.windows.net/umbraco-assets-corp/6455/

contraindications\_to\_organ\_donation.pdf

Family approached for formal organ donation discussion Family of eligible DCD asked to: support the patient's expressed or

deemed consent/authorisation decision, informed of a nominated/appointed representative, make a decision themselves on donation, or informed of a

patient's opt-out decision via the Organ Donor Register

Consent/authorisation rate Percentage of families or nominated/appointed representatives

approached for formal organ donation discussion where

consent/authorisation was ascertained

SNOD presence rate Percentage of formal organ donation discussions with families or

nominated/appointed representatives where a SNOD was present

Consent/authorisation rate where SNOD was present Percentage of formal organ donation discussions with families or

nominated/appointed representatives where a SNOD was present where

consent/authorisation was ascertained

### **UK Transplant Registry (UKTR) definitions**

Donor type Type of donor: Donation after brain death (DBD) or donation after

circulatory death (DCD)

Number of actual donors

Total number of donors reported to the UKTR

Number of patients transplanted Total number of patients transplanted from these donors

Organs per donor Number of organs donated divided by the number of donors.

Number of organs transplanted Total number of organs transplanted by organ type



## **Appendix A.2 Data Description**

This report provides a summary of data relating to potential and actual organ donors as recorded by NHS Blood and Transplant via the Potential Donor Audit (PDA), the accompanying Referral Record, and the UK Transplant Registry (UKTR) for the specified Trust, Board, Organ Donation Services Team, or nation.

This report is provided for information and to facilitate case based discussion about organ donation by the Organ Donation Committees and Trusts/Boards.

As part of the PDA, patients over 80 years of age and those who did not die on a critical care unit or emergency department are not audited nationally and are therefore excluded from the majority of this report. Data from neonatal intensive care units (ICU) have also been excluded from this report. In addition, some information may be outstanding due to late reporting and difficulties obtaining patient notes. Donations not captured by the PDA will still be included in the data supplied from the accompanying Referral Record or from the UKTR, as appropriate.



## **Appendix A.3 Table and Figure Description**

For the purposes of this report please note that Trust/Board is equivalent to team.

1 Donor outcomes	
Table 1.1	The number of actual donors, the resulting number of patients transplanted and the average number of organs donated per donor have been obtained from the UK Transplant Registry (UKTR) for your Trust/Board. Results have been displayed separately for donors after brain death (DBD) and donors after circulatory death (DCD).
Table 1.2	The number of organs transplanted by type from donors at your Trust/Board has been obtained from the UKTR. Further information can be obtained from your local Specialist Nurse – Organ Donation (SNOD), specifically regarding organs that were not transplanted. Results have been displayed separately for DBD and DCD.
Figure 1.1	The number of actual donors and the resulting number of patients transplanted obtained from the UKTR for your Trust/Board for the past 10 equivalent time periods are presented on a line chart.

2 Key rates in potential for organ donation	
Figure 2.1	Key percentage measures of DBD and DCD potential donation activity for your Trust/Board are presented in a bar chart, using data from the Potential Donor Audit (PDA). The comparative UK rate, for the same time period, is illustrated by the pink line. The key rates labels are coloured using the gold, silver, bronze, amber, and red (GoSBAR) colour scheme to show the performance of your Trust/Board, relative to the UK rate, as reflected in the funnel plots (see description for Figure 4.1 below.
Figure 2.2	Trends in the key percentage measures of DBD and DCD potential donation activity for your Trust/Board are presented for the past five equivalent time periods, using data from the PDA.
Table 2.1	A summary of DBD, DCD and deceased donor data and key numbers have been obtained from the PDA. A UK comparison is also provided. Note that caution should be applied when interpreting percentages based on small numbers. Appendix A.1 gives a fuller explanation of terms used. The key rates are highlighted using the gold, silver, bronze, amber, and red (GoSBAR) colour scheme to show the performance of your Trust/Board, relative to the UK rate, as reflected in the funnel plots (see description for Figure 4.1 below).

3 Best quality of care in organ dor	nation
Figure 3.1	A stacked bar chart displays the number of patients with suspected neurological death who were tested and the number who were not tested in your Trust/Board for the past five equivalent time periods.
Table 3.1	The reasons given for neurological death tests not being performed in your Trust/Board, have been obtained from the PDA, if applicable. A UK comparison is also provided.
Figure 3.2	Stacked bar charts display the number of DBD and DCD patients meeting referral criteria who were referred to the Organ Donation Service and the number who were not referred in your Trust/Board for the past five equivalent time periods.
Table 3.2	The reasons given for not referring patients to the Organ Donation Service in your Trust/Board, have been obtained from the PDA, if applicable. A UK comparison is also provided.
Table 3.3	The primary absolute medical contraindications to solid organ donation for DBD and DCD patients have been obtained from the PDA, if applicable. A UK comparison is also provided.
Figure 3.3	Stacked bar charts display the number of families of DBD and DCD patients approached where a SNOD was present and the number approached where a SNOD was not present in your Trust/Board for the past five equivalent time periods.



Figure 3.4	Stacked bar charts display the number of families of DBD and DCD patients approached where consent/authorisation for organ donation was ascertained and the number approached where consent/authorisation was not ascertained in your Trust/Board for the past five equivalent time periods.
Table 3.4	The reasons why consent/authorisation was not ascertained for solid organ donation in your Trust/Board, have been obtained from the PDA, if applicable. A UK comparison is also provided.
Table 3.5	The reasons why solid organ donation did not occur in your Trust/Board, have been obtained from the PDA, if applicable. A UK comparison is also provided.

4 Comparative of	data
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Figure 4.1

A funnel plot of the neurological death testing rate is displayed using data obtained from the PDA. Each Trust/Board, of the same level, is represented on the plot as a blue dot, although one dot may represent more than one Trust/Board. The UK rate is shown on the plot as a green horizontal dashed line, together with 95% and 99.8% confidence limits for this rate. These limits form a 'funnel', which is shaded using the gold, silver, bronze, amber, and red (GoSBAR) colour scheme. Graphs obtained in this way are known as funnel plots. If a Trust/Board lies within the 95% limits, shaded bronze, then that Trust/Board has a rate that is statistically consistent with the UK rate (average performance). If a Trust/Board lies outside the 95% confidence limits, shaded silver (good performance) or amber (below average performance), this serves as an alert that the Trust/Board may have a rate that is significantly different from the UK rate. When a Trust/Board lies above the upper 99.8% limit, shaded gold, this indicates a rate that is significantly higher than the UK rate (exceptional performance), while a Trust/Board that lies below the lower limit, shaded red, has a rate that is significantly lower than the UK rate (poor performance). It is important to note that differences in patient mix have not been accounted for in these plots. Your Trust/Board is shown on the plot as the large black cross. If there is no large black cross on the plot, your Trust/Board did not report any patients of the type presented. The funnel plots can also be used to identify the maximum rates currently being achieved by Trusts/Boards with similar donor potential.

Figure 4.2

Figure 4.3

Figure 4.4

A funnel plot of the deceased donor referral rate is displayed using data obtained from the

PDA. See description for Figure 4.1 above.

A funnel plot of the deceased donor SNOD presence rate is displayed using data

obtained from the PDA. See description for Figure 4.1 above.

A funnel plot of the deceased donor consent/authorisation rate is displayed using data

obtained from the PDA. See description for Figure 4.1 above.

5 PDA data by hospital and unit

Table 5.1

DBD key numbers and rates by unit where the patient died have been obtained from the

PDA. Percentages have been excluded where numbers are less than 10.

Table 5.2

DCD key numbers and rates by unit where the patient died have been obtained from the

PDA. Percentages have been excluded where numbers are less than 10.



6 Paediatric ICU data Table 6.1 A summary of DBD, DCD and deceased donor data and key numbers for paediatric ICUs have been obtained from the PDA. A UK comparison is also provided. Note that caution should be applied when interpreting percentages based on small numbers. Appendix A.1 gives a fuller explanation of terms used. Figure 6.1 A stacked bar chart displays the number of paediatric ICU patients with suspected neurological death who were tested and the number who were not tested in your Trust/Board for the past five equivalent time periods. Table 6.2 The reasons given for neurological death tests not being performed for paediatric ICU patients in your Trust/Board, have been obtained from the PDA, if applicable. A UK comparison is also provided. Figure 6.2 Stacked bar charts display the number of DBD and DCD paediatric ICU patients meeting referral criteria who were referred to the Organ Donation Service and the number who were not referred in your Trust/Board for the past five equivalent time periods. Table 6.3 The reasons given for not referring paediatric ICU patients to the Organ Donation Service in your Trust/Board, have been obtained from the PDA, if applicable. A UK comparison is also provided. The primary absolute medical contraindications to solid organ donation for DBD and DCD Table 6.4 paediatric ICU patients have been obtained from the PDA, if applicable. A UK comparison is also provided. Stacked bar charts display the number of families of DBD and DCD paediatric ICU Figure 6.3 patients approached where a SNOD was present and the number approached where a SNOD was not present in your Trust/Board for the past five equivalent time periods. Stacked bar charts display the number of families of DBD and DCD paediatric ICU Figure 6.4 patients approached where consent/authorisation for organ donation was ascertained and the number approached where consent/authorisation was not ascertained in your Trust/Board for the past five equivalent time periods. The reasons why consent/authorisation was not ascertained for solid organ donation in Table 6.5 paediatric ICU patients in your Trust/Board, have been obtained from the PDA, if applicable. A UK comparison is also provided.

Table 6.6 The reasons why solid organ donation did not occur in paediatric ICU patients in your Trust/Board, have been obtained from the PDA, if applicable. A UK comparison is also provided.

7 Emergency department data

Figure 7.1 Stacked bar charts display the number of patients that died in the emergency department

(ED) who met the referral criteria and were referred to the Organ Donation Service and the number who were not referred in your Trust/Board for the past five equivalent time

periods.

Figure 7.2 Stacked bar charts display the number of families of patients in ED approached where a

SNOD was present and the number approached where a SNOD was not present in your

Trust/Board for the past five equivalent time periods.

8 Additional data and figures

Table 8.1 A summary of deceased donor, transplant, transplant list and ODR opt-in registration data

for your region have been obtained from the UKTR. Your region has been defined as per

former Strategic Health Authority. A UK comparison is also provided.

Table 8.2 Trust/board level categories and the relevant expected number of proceeding donors per

year are provided for information.

Table 8.3 National DBD key numbers and rates for level 1, 2, 3 and 4 Trusts/Boards are displayed

alongside your local data to aid comparison with equivalent Trusts/Boards. Percentages

have been excluded where numbers are less than 10.



Table 8.4	National DCD key numbers and rates for level 1, 2, 3 and 4 Trusts/Boards are displayed alongside your local data to aid comparison with equivalent Trusts/Boards. Percentages have been excluded where numbers are less than 10.
Figure 8.1	A funnel plot of the DBD and DCD referral rates are displayed using data obtained from the PDA. See description for Figure 4.1 above.
Figure 8.2	A funnel plot of the DBD and DCD SNOD presence rates are displayed using data obtained from the PDA. See description for Figure 4.1 above.
Figure 8.3	A funnel plot of the DBD and DCD consent/authorisation rates are displayed using data obtained from the PDA. See description for Figure 4.1 above.