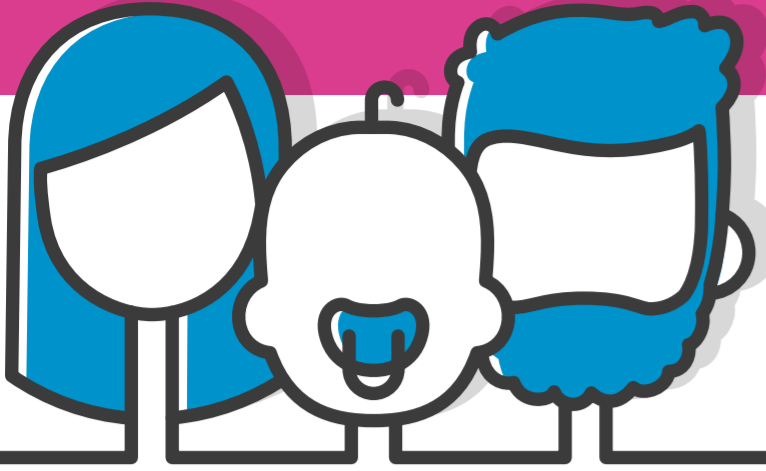


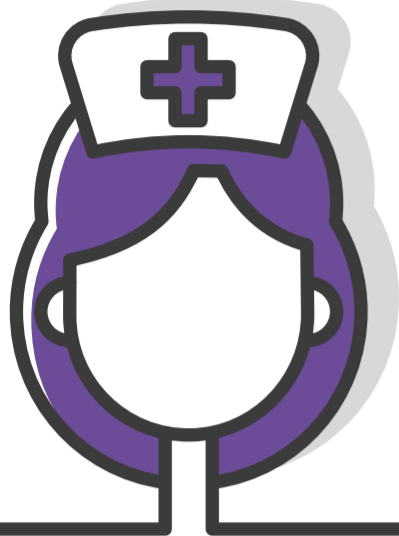
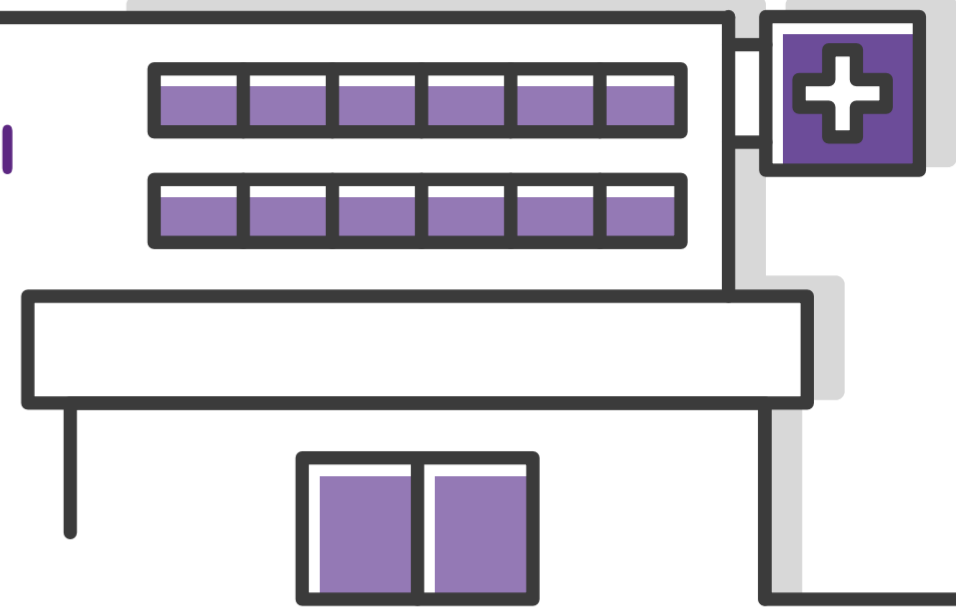
# How does organ donation work?



Organ donation saves and transforms thousands of lives each year, with even more lives improved by tissue donation.

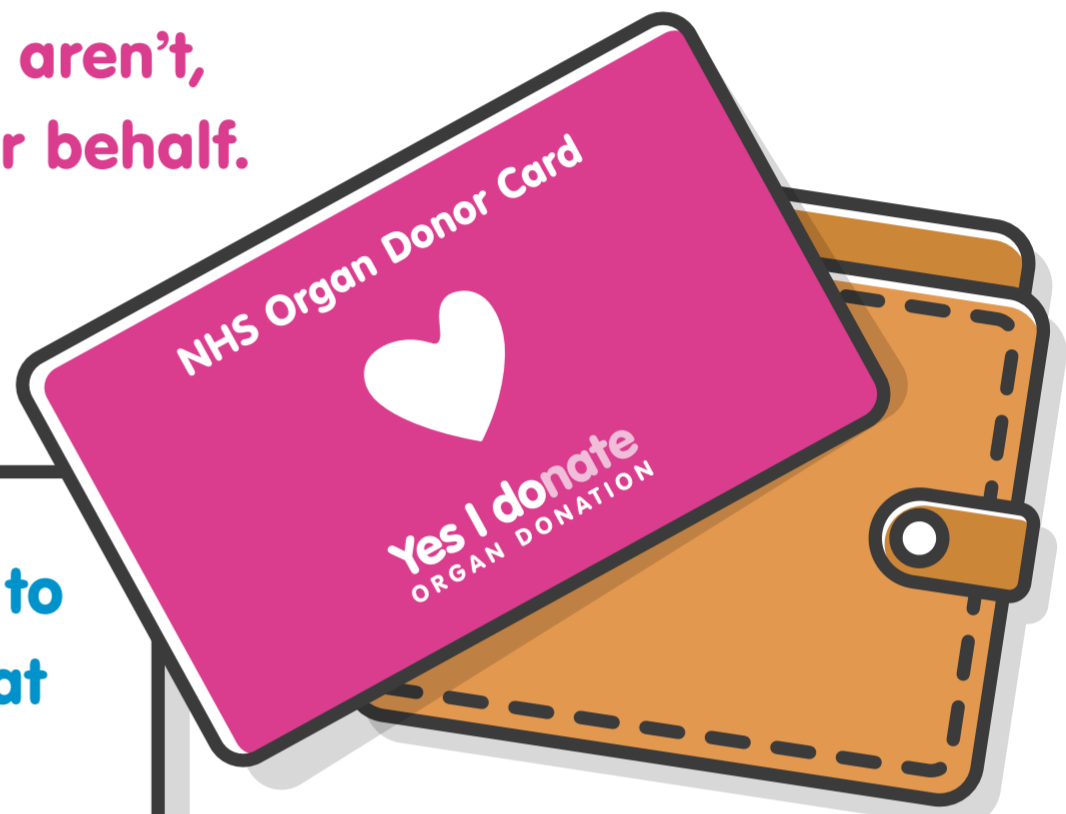
To be an organ donor you need to die in hospital in specific circumstances. When this happens, a specialist nurse will check if you're a registered organ donor.

If you are a registered donor, your family will be expected to support your decision, and if you aren't, they will be asked to make a decision on your behalf.



This conversation will happen whether you're a registered donor or not, which is why it's so important that you tell your family what you want.

Don't leave them to make a decision at a difficult time.



A number of tests will need to take place to check your organs are suitable for patients, then if organ donation can proceed, your donated organs will be matched to patients on the UK Transplant Waiting List.

Organ donors are treated with the same respect, dignity and care as any other patient and can save or transform the lives of up to nine people.

More than 50,000 people are alive today, across the UK, due to the generosity of organ donors and their families.

But right now, around 6,000 seriously ill people are waiting for a life-saving transplant.



Sign up now and tell your family you want to give the gift of life