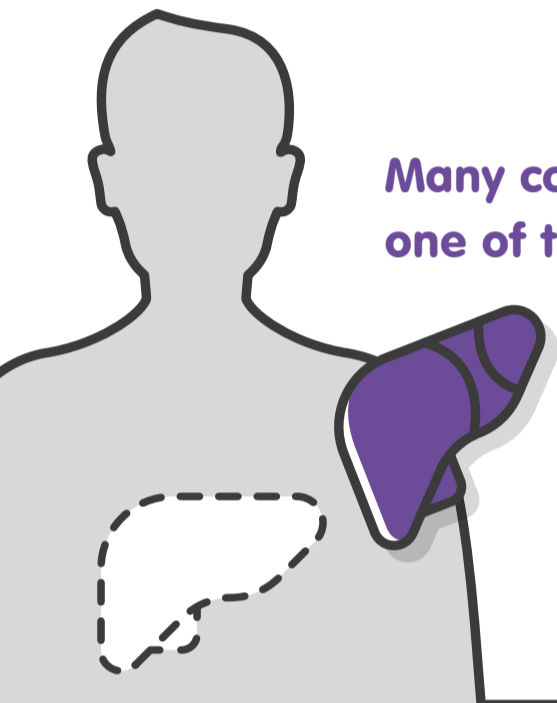


# What is the organ transplant waiting list?



Each year thousands of people receive a lifesaving organ transplant. Thousands more receive life-changing tissue transplants, such as a cornea to help them see again, or a bone transplant to help restore mobility.

This is only made possible because people are willing to help others by donating their organs or tissue when they die.



Many conditions and illnesses can lead to an organ failing. If you suffer from one of these you may require a donated organ to replace your failing one.

If this is the case, you will be assessed to see if an organ transplant is the best treatment option for you. If you meet the criteria you will be added to the UK's Transplant Waiting List.



This list contains the details of everyone in the UK who has been assessed for, and meets the criteria for a transplant. This national system allows donated organs to be matched to the best possible recipient.

It can take a long time for a suitable organ to become available. While waiting for that life changing phone call, patients can become too sick to receive a transplant, or worse – die without getting the organ they need.

**6,000**

Give the gift of life

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