

# NHS Blood and Transplant

## Transplant Policy Review Committee

### Annual Report 2017/2018

#### 1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The Transplant Policy Review Committee has prepared this report to the NHSBT Board in order to demonstrate how the Committee has satisfied its terms of reference during 2017/2018.

#### 2 CONSTITUTION

The Transplant Policy Review Committee was established by the NHSBT Board to act on behalf of the Board to review and approve (where appropriate) all policies relating to selection and allocation policies relating to organ transplantation and those initiatives that have a significant impact on organ donation and transplantation. The Committee is an executive committee of the Board but has no executive powers other than those specifically delegated to it in the terms of reference.

#### 3 OVERVIEW

The duties of the Transplant Policy Review Committee are:

- To consider and approve, on behalf of the Board, those policies and standards developed by the solid organ Advisory Groups, the National Organ Donation Committee, the National Retrieval Group, and the Research, Innovation & Novel Technologies Advisory Group, and which relate to potential organ donor selection, organ donor management, patient selection and organ allocation.
- To ensure that the policies meet all legal, regulatory and ethical requirements and standards

#### 4 MEMBERSHIP

The Transplant Policy Review Committee membership in respect of the financial year 2017/2018 was:

Jeremy Monroe	Non-executive Director (Chair)
Prof Paresh Vyas	Non-executive Director
Millie Banerjee	NHSBT Chair (from December 2017)
Dr Gail Miflin	Medical and Research Director
Sally Johnson	Director ODT
Prof John Forsythe	Associate Medical Director, ODT (Secretary)
Prof John Dark	National Clinical Lead for Governance
John Casey	Chair, Pancreas Advisory Group
Prof Peter Friend	Chair, Multi-visceral & Composite Tissue Advisory Group
Dr Paul Murphy	Chair, National Organ Donation Committee
Prof John O'Grady	Chair, Liver Advisory Group
Prof Rutger Ploeg	Chair, National Retrieval Group
Steven Tsui	Chair, Cardiothoracic Advisory Group
Prof Chris Watson	Chair, Kidney Advisory Group
Gabriel Oniscu	Chair, Research, Innovation & Novel Technologies Advisory Group

## 5 COMPLIANCE WITH TERMS OF REFERENCE

Formal meetings of the Transplant Policy Review Committee were held on:

11 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	-	Meeting was not quorate*
5 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	-	Meeting was quorate
8 <sup>th</sup> March 2018 via telecon	-	Meeting was quorate

*\* Due to late apologies from Accountable Members. The meeting went ahead with decisions being endorsed outside the meeting by those Accountable Members not present.*

## 6 DUTIES AND FINDINGS

Over the meetings held during 2017/2018 the Committee reviewed and approved amendments to the following policies which are accessible at [www.odt.nhs.uk](http://www.odt.nhs.uk)

- Allocation of Research Organs
- Clinical contraindications to approaching families for possible organ donation
- Introduction to patient selection and organ allocation policies
- Lung patient selection policy
- Pancreas selection policy
- Kidney allocation policy
- Intestinal allocation policy
- Deceased donor liver distribution and allocation policy
- Pancreas allocation policy
- Heart organ allocation policy
- Lung organ allocation policy
- Heart transplantation selection criteria and recipient registration policy
- New policy - Living donor kidney transplantation
- Liver transplantation selection criteria and recipient registration

The Committee also:

- Approved a new policy on living donor kidney transplantation
- Approved a new policy on allocation of research organs
- Considered a proposal for paediatric lung allocation zones.
- Proposed future discussion on whether the fairness implicit within the selection and allocation policies was being delivered.

## 7 WORKPLAN 2018/2019

The Committee will meet at least six monthly and will follow a standard agenda as per the meetings in 2017/2018.

## 8 CONCLUSION

The Transplant Policy Review Committee has complied with its terms of reference during 2017/2018.

**Jeremy Monroe**  
Chair of the Transplant Policy Review Committee

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