

**NHS BLOOD AND TRANSPLANT
ORGAN DONATION AND TRANSPLANTATION DIRECTORATE
THE TWENTY- FIFTH MEETING OF
THE ADVISORY GROUP CHAIRS COMMITTEE
AT 10.30 AM ON TUESDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2017, AT MSE MEETING ROOMS
103A OXFORD STREET, WESTMINSTER, LONDON, W1D 2HG**

PRESENT:

IN ATTENDANCE:

ACTION

1 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

Apologies from:
J Asher
P Friend
G Mifflin
P Murphy

1.1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – AGChC(17)10

There were no declarations of interest.

2 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: 11TH APRIL 2017 - AGChC(M)(17)1

2.1 The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a correct record.
5.2 & 10.1 & J Forsythe

3 ACTION POINTS & MATTERS ARISING

3.1 Action points - AGChC(AP)(17)1

AP1 & 2 – RJ – J has taken to all AGS and is liaising with stats and hub on how to incorporate recip spec matching

3.2 Matters arising not separately identified

Donor characterisation review – a national meeting has been held involving commissioners KQ leading with M Roberts

4 PROJECT UPDATES

4.1 ODT Clinical Website

CW – ODT Website has been established and gone thru beta phase and went live.
Password protected area – building in content and platforms.
JF consent in organ transplantation– will give patient and clinicians increased information via ODT website.

4.2 ODT Hub update

Presentation from Ben H
Can now offer h & lung pats to pats with greatest need on nat alloc basis.
Lung scheme technically worked well and learned lesson of value of simulation. Additional user acceptance testing incorporated for liver as a

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result.

Recruited 4 additional staff in September but likely to have need for more staff to respond to changes coming. Analysis suggests waiting element on phone is a little higher although rate of call answering has improved. In order to support future changes likely to have to add additional staff.

- 4.3 Length of organ donation and retrieval process
OMcG gave a presentation on this subject describing the problem, data that we have now, data that we wish to collect and plans to improve the situation.
- There were multiple questions from members and much support for taking this work further.
- 4.4 Multi-organ offering– **AGChC(17)11**
Discussion regarding SU liver patient offer and multiple organ need. Principle is that SU organ takes priority and takes the other organ with it. RJ/BH to ensure that Hub Ops are aware of the agreement.
- 4.5 Investigating recent trends in numbers of DBD donors – **AGChC(17)12**
PM presented the data and led discussion
Increase in DBD donation - recently 12% over last year.
Record thanks to donation community for this work
- 4.6 Clinical Fellows
NHSBT is funding research fellow – most recent appt for post investigating organ utilisation data. NHSE fund 2 clin fellows for audits and organ specific reports
- 4.7 Consent in Organ Transplantation workshop update
Last month there was a workshop on this subject – Seen to be a very successful day – combined approach with BTS and hope to take forward as joint BTS/NHSBT guidelines. LA is working on putting together agreed actions from the day to take forward in new year.
- 4.8 High risk virology organ offering
Simultaneous offering to be instituted for donors with higher virological risk
- 5 CONSULTATION ON ORGAN DONATION LEGISLATION IN ENGLAND**
- 5.1 Presentation from CW describing the present situation
- Members encouraged to respond to the upcoming consultation
- Lengthy discussion as to the impact of the legislation and pressure on resources if donation rises further.
- 6 UPDATE ON PATHOLOGY**
- 6.1 **For Information: Histopathology Request Form & Standard operating procedure - AGChC(17)14a&b**
JD – paper for information
We need to put our own issues in order first so that procedures for communication and notation of pathology need/request need to be put in place.
This is in hand.

ACTION

The more difficult problem will be the processing and reporting on pathology biopsies.
JD beginning discussions with RCPATH

7 Report on relevant activity from each AG Chair

7.1 Each chair then gave a brief report on current issues for their AG
All these issues are highlighted on the Minutes of the relevant Group on the website.

8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

8.1 None

9 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

9.1 TBC

December 2017