

ANNOUNCEMENT



NHSBT Multi – Organ Retrieval Masterclass 14th-16th December 2020

23rd October 2020

Dear Colleagues,

2020 has been a challenging year, including Organ Donation and Transplantation. You will appreciate that supporting face to face meetings and training is not possible, this includes our annual Masterclass in Organ Retrieval. That said, education and training for our NORS teams continues to be a priority therefore, this year the Masterclass will be delivered in a virtual format over three days from Monday 14th to Wednesday 16th December. including a half day specifically for perioperative practitioners on 16th December.

This format is entirely new, but in close collaboration with NHSBT and our National Faculty, we have developed a program of events that are as lively and interactive as possible, including key-note speakers and expert clinicians. A moderator will be available on site to enable all participants sufficient opportunity to engage and ask questions. The shorter presentations will be delivered via pre-recorded video.

To re-create the practical component of the course we will assign all participants to small groups of 5-7 members with one mentor and separate into different “virtual rooms”. During this session delegates will be taken step-by-step through the retrieval procedure using e-learning material with frequent stops for questions and discussion on why, how, and when. Individual logins to access the e-learning package will be sent to delegates in advance of the Masterclass. For best learning experience, delegates would have completed all modules beforehand.

This Masterclass is designed to optimise the quality and safety of organs offered for transplantation by improving retrieval practice. The course is aimed at surgeons and perioperative practitioners with an interest in abdominal (liver, pancreas, kidney) and cardiothoracic (heart, lung) organ donation and transplantation.

The Masterclass is accredited by the Royal College of Surgeons (England) and is a mandatory part of the training and registration as an independent retrieval surgeon in the UK for those who seek full registration as NORS lead surgeons.

Due to its current format the delegate registration fee for Peri-operative Practitioners is £75 and for Surgeons including the e-learning package is £175. We encourage you to register as soon as possible by following this link [here](#). Should you require any further information please email caroline.wills@nhsbt.nhs.uk

We hope to welcome you all in December 2020!

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