

NHSBT BOARD SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT UPDATE

The Human Tissue (Authorisation)(Scotland) Act 2019

- Implementation of the legislation is on track for Friday 26 March 2021.
- A law change public awareness campaign went live on 18 January. A leaflet was sent to every household in Scotland during February 2021 to inform the general public about the law change. This leaflet is also available in various accessible formats and languages.
- A multimedia campaign launched on 3 March and will run until the end of the month. This will include national TV as well as national and local radio and press and supported by social media, digital advertising and outdoor advertising.
- All key staff have now been trained in the new legislation. Online training sessions for all/wider groups are underway and will continue until the law changes. Additional support and training has been offered to clinicians. Q&A sessions for other clinical NHS Scotland staff are underway.
- [Guidance](#) On Deceased Organ And Tissue Donation In Scotland: Authorisation Requirements For Donation And Pre-Death Procedures was published on 11 March.
- The guidance will apply from 26 March 2021 when the Human Tissue (Authorisation) (Scotland) Act 2019 comes into effect.

Donation and Transplantation Plan for Scotland: 2021 – 2026

- The post-2020 Donation and Transplantation Plan for Scotland is expected to be published on 24 March.
- Work has commenced on the development of an implementation plan, which is being discussed with the Scottish Donation and Transplant Group (SDTG).

SDTG Agreement with the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service

- This agreement has been updated with input from NHSBT and other stakeholders. The new version of the agreement is available at: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/agreement-between-crown-office-procurator-fiscal-service-scottish-donation-transplant-group-regard-organ-tissue-donation-2/>

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