

## **NHSBT BOARD SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT UPDATE**

### **The Human Tissue (Authorisation)(Scotland) Act 2019**

- The Human Tissue (Authorisation) (Scotland) Act 2019 came into effect on Friday 26 March 2021.
- The Opt out system is now in place, with thanks to the collaborative working and expertise from NHSBT and SNBTS.
- The final Opt out Programme Board meeting will take place on 2 June.
- An evaluation of the law change public awareness campaign is underway and key highlights will be reported at the Programme Board meeting.

### **Donation and Transplantation Plan for Scotland: 2021 – 2026**

- The new Donation and Transplantation Plan for Scotland was 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).
- Preliminary work has begun to further scope the recommendations from the Scottish Plan.

### **Donation and Transplantation in Scotland**

- Transplant units in Scotland are open and functioning as normal.
- The Living Donation Scotland Board meeting took place on 5 May 2021 and work is underway to develop a PR campaign to raise awareness of living kidney donation in Scotland during June.

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