

Update from JIF Board Meeting held on 30th September 2021

- The Board received an update on activity which showed that since the JIF pilot started on 7 Sep 2020 there has been a significant increase in DCD activity and DCD transplants across all centres. There have been 131 DCD heart offers, 64 CT NORS mobilisations and 32 successful transplants:

Birmingham	2
Glasgow	1
GOSH	4
Harefield	7
Newcastle	8 (2 paed)
Papworth	9

There a number of data forms missing from centres which need to be sent in to NHSBT.
- The JIF Board (led by Marius) is submitting an abstract to ISHLT on its initial experiences regarding a national DCD heart programme.
- The current hybrid model of working (a team of staff from Harefield and Papworth) that was put in place to cover the 1:4 gap in the DCD heart rota was reviewed. Initial challenges around roles and responsibilities have been resolved and communications and learning is good. The model has been approved for use until the end of the pilot.
- NHSBT has put in a bid with DHSC for funding to continue DCD transplant after the pilot ends. The outcome is likely to be known in December (at the earliest). In the meantime, NHSBT and NHSE are investigating potential funding sources that could bridge any gap.