

# NHSBT BOARD - December 2021 UPDATE FROM THE WELSH GOVERNMENT

## 1. Organ donation and transplantation position – Wales

Summary Figures	2019/20	2020/21	Q2 2021/22	Q1 & Q2 2021/22
Donors after brain death (DBD)	51	36	9	19
Donors after circulatory death (DCD)	24	13	2	7
Total deceased	75	49	11	26
donors				
Living donors	31	13	9	14
Total patients on	264	159	207	207
active list (end of				
period)				
Deceased donor	157	101	28	62
transplants				
Living donor transplants	44	14	11	18
Total organ	201	119	38	80
transplants				
Number of people opted-in to the ODR	1,285,286	1,323,716	9,354	1,343,811
Percentage of population opted-in to the ODR	41	42	1	43
Number of people opted-out from the ODR	189,030	195,124	724	196,408
Percentage of population opted-out from ODR	6	6	6	6

<sup>\*</sup>transplant waiting lists and transplants based on Welsh postcode of residence of patient. Excludes patients temporarily suspended from the transplant list.

#### 2. Welsh Transplantation Advisory Group - WTAG

- Two workshops were held on 11 October 21 and 04 November 21 covering improving services and improving outcomes.
- Workshop 1 discussions included donation in the national context, increasing donation and developing a sustainable and responsive service.
- Workshop 2 discussions included further talks on increasing donation with a focus on live donation, improving recipient and transplant outcomes and diversity and inclusion.
- The notes and actions have been collected and are being developed into a brief report for the group.
- The next WTAG meeting is scheduled for 1 December 2021.

### 3. Update from Welsh Blood Service (WBS)

#### Fractionation for Medicines Project

This is a 4 Nations piece of work and the WBS is in the process of setting up a project group chaired by Dr Gill Richardson, to include Welsh Government, WBS and NHS Wales Procurement. Ministerial agreement has been gained for a 4 Nations MOU which will lead in time to joint contracts.

#### Occult Hep B

WBS is awaiting the outcome of a SaBTO meeting before this can be formally taken forward. However, work is taking place with WBS and colleagues in the other nations to agree how best to implement this project. There will be a working group which will look at changes to the testing of donors along with a look-back study. Membership for the project group will include Public Health Wales and microbiology services, as the work will include public health colleagues in the health boards.