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UK Living Kidney Sharing Scheme (UKLKSS)/NHSBT Update

Dear All,

Welcome back! The last time we provided a separate update from the Newsletter was in December 2019, before the pandemic, so we thought it was time to restart. The quarterly performance report for the UKLKSS, which includes data up to and including the October 2021 matching run, is available at the following link:

<https://nhsbt.dbe.blob.core.windows.net/umbraco-assets-corp/26753/april-2022-uklkss-quarterly-performance-figures.pdf>

The most recent highlights for the UKLKSS were presented to the Kidney Advisory Group on 5th April 2022. Please access the short paper at the following link to identify key updates and actions, which are relevant to staff in all transplant and non-transplant centres:

<https://nhsbt.dbe.blob.core.windows.net/umbraco-assets-corp/26752/april-2022-ldkt-update-to-kag-for-information.pdf>

As always, an enormous thank you to you all for your hard work and support, but particularly your commitment to living donation and the kidney sharing scheme as we emerge from the pandemic.

What's New?

Living donation digital transformation programme – The first phase to support the manual, paper-based processes that currently underpin the UKLKSS is progressing well and is on track to be delivered in two stages in Winter 2022 and Spring 2023. We will keep you updated with exact 'release dates' as the project progresses and timelines become clearer.

Regular Operational Meetings for Living Donor Coordinators – Starting this week, we are inviting living donor co-ordinators to join a meeting with ODT Hub Information Services and key NHSBT staff to help to discuss any operational issues that cause problems on a day-to-day basis and to identify how NHSBT can help. The first meeting is on **Thursday 26th May between 3pm-4:30pm via MS Teams** when we will decide on the future format and timings of meetings to make sure they suit as many people as possible. We will also be demonstrating the new UKLKSS digital platform for those who may not have seen it before and discussing how to involve LDCs in the development of the platform. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting and hearing from you about how we can work together to improve how we do things. Please contact lisa.burnapp@nhsbt.nhs.uk if you have any ideas, queries or concerns that you wish to discuss.

Capacity planning for living donation and the UKLKSS – A paper referenced in the KAG update has been drafted and KAG members and the NHSBT Clinical Team have had the opportunity to comment on it. At the next Clinical Team meeting, we will discuss how best to take it forwards to influence improvements.

NHSBT Community Investment Scheme – Living Donation – Launched in January 2022, focusing on increasing living donor kidney transplantation in people from Black, Asian, Mixed-Race and minority ethnic backgrounds through faith/belief-based community engagement initiatives. For more information visit <https://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/livingscheme/>. Any queries, please contact Living.Donation@nhsbt.nhs.uk

Writing to Living Donors – Launched in September 2021. Visit www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/writing-to-your-living-donor to access resources developed specifically to support recipients of anonymous living

donations to write to their donors. Bespoke cards for clinical teams to write to living donors are also available from leaflets@nhsbt.nhs.uk

Useful NHSBT Resources

Activity and centre specific reports <https://www.odt.nhs.uk/statistics-and-reports/>
COVID 19 advice for clinicians <https://www.odt.nhs.uk/covid-19-advice-for-clinicians/>

Living Donation:

Professional resources <https://www.odt.nhs.uk/living-donation/>

Donor information <https://www.organdonation.nhs.uk/become-a-living-donor/>

Recipient information <https://www.odt.nhs.uk/information-for-patients/>

Promotional materials <https://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/how-you-can-help/get-involved/living-organ-donation-materials/>

Community Investment Scheme -Living Donation <https://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/livingscheme/>

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