

## NHSBT BOARD SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT UPDATE – JULY 2022

### Donation and Transplantation Plan for Scotland: 2021-2026

- Recommendations from the Scottish plan continue to be taken forward by three working groups. In addition, SNBTS are leading on the actions in relation to tissue donation and Scotland's living donation co-ordinator is leading on the actions in relation to living kidney donation.

### New Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Raising Campaign

- On 27 July our new **'Don't leave your loved ones in doubt'** awareness raising campaign will be launched. It will run across TV, radio, digital and social media for a three week period.
- The national campaign has been designed to encourage people aged 16 and over to record their donation decision on the NHS Organ Donor Register and tell their loved ones too.
- It also aims to:
  - remind people of the choices they have under the opt out system
  - reinforce what happens if people do nothing.
- People will be signposted to [www.organdonation.scot](http://www.organdonation.scot), where they can register and find more information.

### Living Kidney Donation – Living Donor Transplantation Learning Programme

- In conjunction with NHS Education for Scotland, a living donor transplantation learning programme has been developed on the TURAS Learn platform. This programme is aimed at those healthcare professionals working with patients with chronic kidney disease, including renal units and general practice.
- Living donor transplant programmes have expanded greatly in the past 15 years, and criteria and opportunities are ever evolving. This programme is a basic introduction to the topic, to support a multi-disciplinary approach to early discussion of living donor transplantation.
- For further information please contact [jen.lumsdaine@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:jen.lumsdaine@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk)

## **Donation and Transplantation in Scotland**

- As at 6 July 2022, over half of the population of Scotland (55.6%) have recorded their donation decision on the NHS Organ Donor Register. Of this total, 52.6% have recorded a decision to be a donor, with 3.0% choosing to opt out.

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