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## UK Living Kidney Sharing Scheme (UKLKSS)/NHSBT Update

Dear All,

Activity in the UKLKSS and the proportion of identified transplants that went ahead from both the January and April matching runs hit a record 85%. In July this dropped back to 74% but is still an impressive performance, given the constraints that still exist across the NHS and in individual centres post pandemic. The latest quarterly performance report for the UKLKSS, which includes data up to the July 2022 matching run, is available at the following link:

<https://nhsbtdeb.blob.core.windows.net/umbraco-assets-corp/28399/november-2022-uklkss-quarterly-performance-figures.pdf>

The most recent full Kidney Advisory Group report on living donor kidney transplantation, including UKLKSS highlights, can be accessed here: <https://nhsbtdeb.blob.core.windows.net/umbraco-assets-corp/28398/july-2022-kag-ldkt-update.pdf> This paper provides key updates and actions, which are relevant to staff in all transplant and non-transplant centres.

### What's New?

**Living donation digital transformation programme** – the first phase to support the manual, paper-based processes that currently underpin the UKLKSS is on track to be delivered in two stages by July 2023. The first phase will be released in February, allowing registration of donors and recipients for the April matching run to be entered directly from transplant and non-transplant centres into the digital NHSBT platform. An enormous thank you to all of those who have been involved as external advisors for this project. It has been incredibly complex and internal colleagues have been working flat out to deliver on time. Your support has been invaluable. The release in February of the first phase of the project will be supported by training sessions for direct account holders within living donor co-ordinator teams and in H&I laboratories. Please engage in these sessions and keep in contact with us if you have any queries or concerns – we are here to support you.

**Regular Operational Meetings for Living Donor Co-ordinators** – started in May and have been a great success, offering living donor co-ordinators the opportunity to meet with ODT Hub Information Services and key NHSBT staff to discuss operational issues, share information and informally network. The meetings are usually held on the **last Thursday of the month between 3-4pm** and currently alternate with a meeting dedicated to the digital transformation. Given the imminent release of the digital platform, the next meeting is on **Thursday 5th January between 3-4 pm via MS Teams** is dedicated to this and we hope that as many living donor co-ordinators from transplant and non-transplant centres will join for a final pre- launch briefing. Please contact [lisa.burnapp@nhsbt.nhs.uk](mailto:lisa.burnapp@nhsbt.nhs.uk) if you have any ideas, queries or concerns and/or if you wish to be added to the invitation list for these meetings.

**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](mailto:Living.Donation@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/>  
Writing to living donors [www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/writing-to-your-living-donor](http://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/writing-to-your-living-donor)  
Access to order leaflets/cards for living donors for clinical teams [leaflets@nhsbt.nhs.uk](mailto:leaflets@nhsbt.nhs.uk)

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