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UK LKD Network Newsletter

INTRODUCTION

Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to the December Network Newsletter.

We are looking forward to the next UK Living Kidney Donation (LKD) Network face-to-face meeting, 10am to 4:45pm on Wednesday 10th May 2023. The programme will be wide-ranging and include an overview of variation in the living donor workforce across transplanting and non-transplanting centres, linking this to commissioning of living donor services. For the latter, we will explore how business cases for living donor co-ordinator workforce expansion can be supported, and how this can help to help to raise the profile of living donor transplantation in renal centres and generate significant increases in living donation activity.

We will also explore some controversies within living kidney donation, including the interpretation of donor GFR measurement (with split function) and the approach to donor hypertension/raised BMI. We will also present an overview of trends in living donation, including activity within the UK Living Donor Sharing Scheme and a focus on travel for transplantation.

Season's Greetings to you all, and we look forward to our next national face-to-face gathering in May!



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'Save the Dates':

BTS NHSBT Joint Congress 2023 - 1st to 3rd March 2023, EICC Edinburgh

Registration for the BTS NHSBT Joint Congress 2023 is now open – for more information see the link below: https://bts.org.uk/events-meetings/bts-nhsbt-joint-congress-2023/

UK LKD Network Meeting – Wednesday 10th May 2023, 10am – 4:45pm

We are looking forward to this face-to-face meeting. Please let us know if you have any ideas for the meeting and email them to trudy.monday@nhsbt.nhs.uk

The 'first announcement' and 'registration opening' will be communicated in January 2023.

UKKA - UK Kidney Association - UK Kidney Week, 5th June to 7th June 2023

For information, please see the following link: https://ukkidney.org/health-professionals/events

Resources:

COVID-19: latest information available at

NHSBT: https://www.odt.nhs.uk/deceased-donation/covid-19-advice-for-clinicians/

BTS: https://bts.org.uk/information-resources/covid-19-information/

UK Kidney Association (UKKA): https://renal.org/health-professionals/covid-19

Other 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/statistics-and-reports/

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/how-you-can-

help/get-involved/community-grants-programme/about-the-programme/

Writing to living donors www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/writing-to-your-living-donor

Please refer to the separate update for the latest on the UK Living Kidney Sharing Scheme and NHSBT living donation news:

https://www.odt.nhs.uk/living-donation/uk-living-kidney-donation-network/

Donor-recipient information/organisations:

Kidney Care UK: https://www.kidneycareuk.org/news-and-campaigns/coronavirus-advice/

National Kidney Federation: https://www.kidney.org.uk/news/coronavirus-latest-information-and-advice

Give a Kidney: https://www.giveakidney.org/

Gift of Living Donation (GOLD): http://giftoflivingdonation.co.uk/

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