## MINIMUM RESOLUTION FOR REPORTING DONOR AND RECIPIENT HLA TYPES

A minimum resolution for reporting donor and patient HLA types was introduced to coincide with the implementation of the 2006 National Kidney Allocation Scheme (**Table 1**).

Compliance with the minimum requirements is most important for deceased donors because of the impact on allocation. The donor HLA type is used to perform a virtual crossmatch for sensitised patients and incomplete information could lead to inappropriate allocation. Compliance with the minimum resolution is also important for living donors listed in the paired/pooled donation scheme.

Compliance with the repertoire is monitored and if a non-complaint type is received, the laboratory is contacted by the ODT Scientific Support staff. Compliance data have been routinely reported to KAG and circulated to the Heads of H&I laboratories and the Directors of Renal Transplant Units

High levels of compliance are now achieved. Overall compliance for the period April 2012- March 2013 was 99.8% for deceased donor HLA types, 100% for recipient HLA types and 100% for living donor HLA types (**Table 2**).

## Action

Compliance with the reporting requirements for HLA types will continue to be monitored and laboratories contacted if non-complaint types are received. An annual report will be presented to the Advisory Groups and circulated to the Directors of H & I laboratories and Transplant Units.

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