

Agenda Item 5.1.3



NHSBT BOARD SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT UPDATE – MARCH 2023

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.

The working group leading on Transplant Recipient Support and Aftercare plan to issue a patient survey between April – June 2023 to capture an up-to-date picture of patients' views on transplant services in Scotland.

Living Kidney Donation – REACH Transplant

The Renal Education and Choices at Home (REACH Transplant) Programme Lead and five Nurse Specialists are now in post. The REACH Transplant initiative aims to ensure that all patients who may benefit from a kidney transplant are supported in exploring all options for a living donor transplant in their own home and to encourage open discussion with families and with close friends about choices.

NHS Organ Donor Register figures

As at 06 March 2023, over half of the population of Scotland (56.6%) have recorded their donation decision on the NHS Organ Donor Register. Of this total, 53.4% have recorded a decision to be a donor, with 3.2% choosing to opt out.

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