

# Detailed Full Report Actual and Potential Organ Donors 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016

# Midlands Organ Donation Services Team



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- The latest Organ Donation and Transplantation Activity Report is available at https://www.organdonation.nhs.uk/supporting-my-decision/statistics-about-organ-donation/transplant-activity-report/
- The latest PDA Annual Report is available at http://www.odt.nhs.uk/odt/potential-donor-audit/
- Please refer any queries or requests for further information to your local Specialist Nurse Organ Donation (SN-OD)

### Source

NHS Blood and Transplant: UK Transplant Registry (UKTR), Potential Donor Audit (PDA) and Referral Record. Issued May 2016 based on data reported at 9 May 2016.



# 1. Donor Outcomes

A summary of the number of donors, patients transplanted, average number of organs donated per donor and organs donated, obtained from the UK Transplant Registry

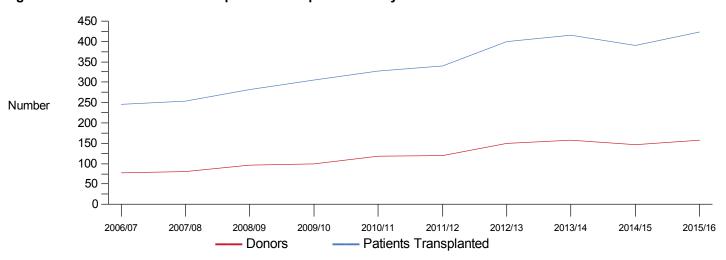
# 1.1 Donor outcomes

Between 1 April 2015 and 31 March 2016, the Midlands team had 157 deceased solid organ donors, resulting in 423 patients receiving a transplant. 527 organs were donated but 68 were not transplanted. Additional information is shown in Tables 1.1.1 and 1.1.2, along with comparison data for 2014/15. An additional chart showing figures for the previous ten periods has also been included for comparison. If you would like further information, please contact your local Specialist Nurse - Organ Donation (SN-OD).

Table 1.1.1 Donors, patients transplanted and organs per donor, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016 (1 April 2014 - 31 March 2015 for comparison)											
Donor type	Number of donors	Number of patients transplanted	Average number of organs donated per donor Midlands UK								
DBD DCD DBD and DCD	85 (84) 72 (63) 157 (147)	259 (259) 164 (132) 423 (391)	3.7 (3.8) 3.9 (3.8) 2.9 (2.8) 2.8 (2.7) 3.4 (3.4) 3.4 (3.4)								

	Table 1.1.2 Organs transplanted by type, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016 (1 April 2014 - 31 March 2015 for comparison)												
Donor type	onor type Kidney		Number of organs transplanted by type ey Pancreas Liver Heart Lung						Small bowel				
DBD DCD DBD and DCD	152 (14 125 (10 277 (24	3) 8	(21) (8) (29)	71 34 105	(71) (28) (99)	21 1 22	(20) (0) (20)	19 7 26	(29) (8) (37)	0 0 0	(3) (0) (3)		

Figure 1.1.1 Number of donors and patients transplanted each year



Data in this section have been obtained from the UK Transplant Registry. Section 2 onwards reports on data obtained from the national Potential Donor Audit (PDA).



# Key Rates onPotential for Organ Donation

A summary of the key rates on the potential for organ donation, obtained from the national Potential Donor Audit (PDA)

# 2.1 Key rates

Two radar charts are displayed in Figure 2.1.1 showing specific percentage measures of potential donation activity in 2015/16 for the Midlands Team compared with national data for the UK, and compared with 2014/15 activity. This information is displayed in an alternative format as bar charts in Appendix A.1. The colour of the rate label indicates the Team performance as shown in the appropriate funnel plot using the gold, silver, bronze, amber, and red (GoSBAR) scheme.

Figure 2.1.1 Key rates on the potential for organ donation, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016 (1 April 2014 - 31 March 2015 for comparison)

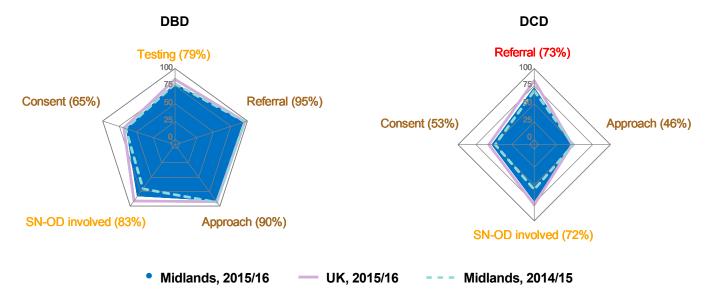
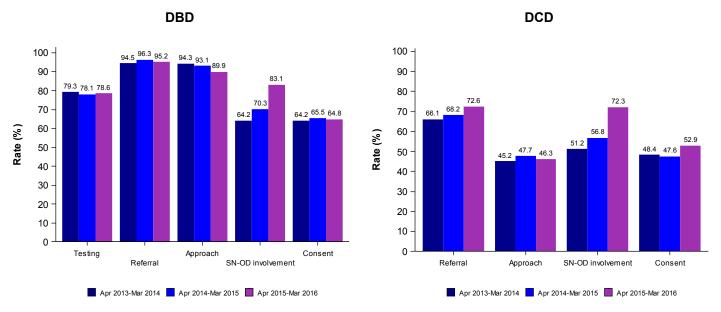


Figure 2.1.2 Key rates on the potential for organ donation, 1 April 2013 - 31 March 2016





# 2.2 Key numbers, rates and comparison with national targets

The percentages shown in Figure 2.1.1 are also shown in Table 2.2.1 along with the number of patients at each stage. A national comparison and a time period comparison are again provided. A comparison against national DBD and DCD targets has been applied by highlighting the key rates for your Team as gold, silver, bronze, amber, or red. See Appendix A.4 for ranges used. Note that caution should be applied when interpreting percentages based on small numbers.

Table 2.2.1 Key numbers, rates and comparison with national targets, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016 (1 April 2014 - 31 March 2015 for comparison)

		2015/16	DBD	2014	/15		2015/16	DCD	2014/1	5
	Target	Midlands	UK	Midlands	UK	Target	Midlands	UK	Midlands	UK
Patients meeting organ donation referral criteria <sup>1</sup>		210	1,742	215	1,734		879	6,502	947	6,755
Referred to SN-OD Referral rate %	96%	200 <b>B</b> 95%	1,679 96%	207 96%	1,671 96%	79%	638 73%	5,399 83%	646 68%	5,154 76%
Neurological death tested Testing rate %	82%	165 <b>A</b> 79%	1,472 85%	168 78%	1,445 83%					
Eligible donors <sup>2</sup>		158	1,399	159	1,373		592	4,204	616	4,284
Family approached Approach rate %	94%	142 <b>B</b> 90%	1,293 92%	148 93%	1,284 94%	47% I	274 <b>3</b> 46%	1,941 <i>4</i> 6%	294 48%	2,018 <i>47%</i>
Family approached and SN-OD involved % of approaches where SN-OD involved	87%	118 <b>A</b> 83%	1,177 91%	104 70%	1,113 87%	75%	198 <b>4 72%</b>	1,511 78%	167 57%	1,459 72%
Consent given Consent rate %	73%	92 <b>B</b> 65%	888 69%	97 66%	859 67%	59% I	145 <b>3</b> 53%	1,112 <i>5</i> 7%	140 48%	1,046 <i>52%</i>
Expected consents based on ethnic mix Expected consent rate based on ethnic mix %		95 67%		97 67%			153 58%		148 53%	
Actual donors from each pathway % of consented donors that became actual donors		86 93%	784 88%	88 91%	780 91%		73 50%	566 51%	58 41%	493 47%
Colour key - comparison with funnel plot confidence limits		G Gold A Amber		S Silver R Red		ı	<b>B</b> Bronze			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> DBD - A patient with suspected neurological death

Note that from 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016 there was 1 eligible DBD donor and 2 eligible DCD donors whose family consented to donation who are not included in this section because they were either over 80 years of age or did not die in a unit participating in the PDA.

DCD - A patient in whom imminent death is anticipated, ie a patient receiving assisted ventilation, a clinical decision to withdraw treatment has been made and death is anticipated within 4 hours

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> DBD - Death confirmed by neurological tests and no absolute contraindications to solid organ donation

DCD - Imminent death anticipated and treatment withdrawn with no absolute contraindications to solid organ donation



# 3. Stages WhereOpportunities were Lost

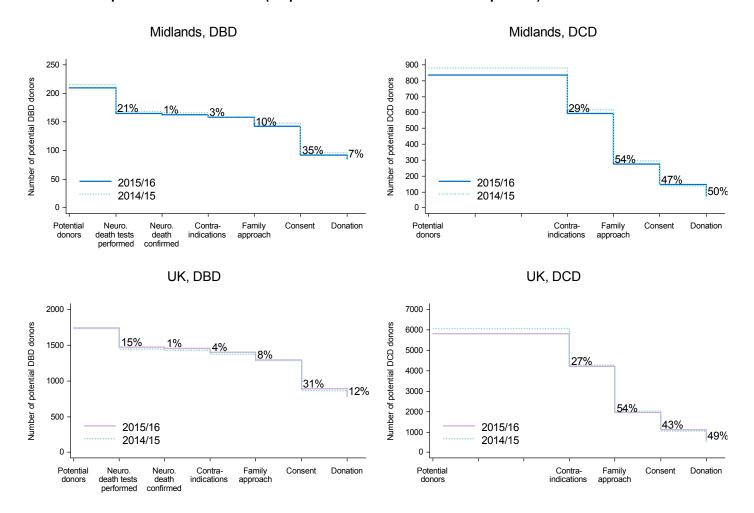
Stages at which potential donors lost the opportunity to become actual donors

# 3.1 Overview of lost opportunities

Of the 210 potential DBD donors with suspected neurological death, 86 proceeded to donation and 124 did not proceed. Of the 592 eligible DCD donors, 73 proceeded to donation and 519 did not proceed.

Figure 3.1.1 gives an overview of the various stages where opportunities were lost. There are four charts showing DBD and DCD stages separately for the Midlands team and the UK, all of which contain a comparison with 2014/15. The number of potential donors is shown on the vertical axis for each chart and at each 'step' the proportion of potential donors lost at that stage is displayed. Caution should be applied when interpreting percentages based on small numbers. Further information is available for individual Trusts in Tables 4.1.1 and 4.1.2 in Section 4.

Figure 3.1.1 Stages at which potential donors lost the opportunity to become actual donors, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016 (1 April 2014 - 31 March 2015 for comparison)





# 3.2 Neurological death testing

A funnel plot of neurological death testing rates is displayed in Figure 3.2.1. The national target for 2015/16 of 82% is also shown on the funnel plot, for information, but the goal is to ensure that neurological death tests are performed wherever possible. For information about how to interpret the funnel plots, please see Appendix A.4.

Figure 3.2.1 Funnel plot of neurological death testing rates, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016

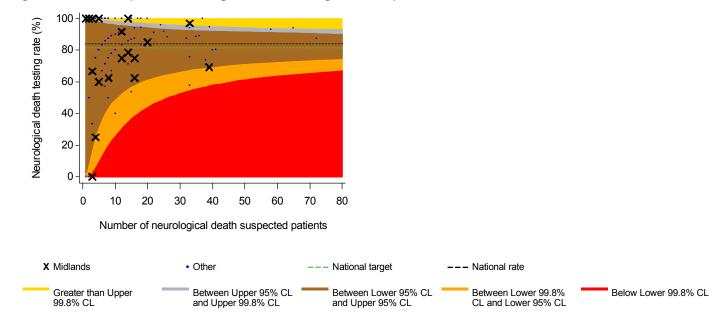


Table 3.2.1 shows the reasons why neurological death tests were not performed, if applicable, for your Team. Patients for whom the reason for not performing neurolgical tests is given as 'cardiac arrest despite resuscitation', 'brainstem reflexes returned', or 'neonates - less than 2 months post term' are now excluded from the calculation of the neurological death testing rate.

1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016		
	N	%
Family declined donation	6	13.3
Treatment withdrawn	2	4.4
Patient haemodynamically unstable	18	40.0
Continuing effects of sedatives	5	11.1
Biochemical/endocrine abnormality	5	11.1
Inability to test all reflexes	1	2.2
Clinical reason/Clinicians decision	5	11.1
SN-OD advised that donor not suitable	1	2.2
Medical contraindication to donation	1	2.2
Unknown	1	2.2
Total	45	100.0



# 3.3 Referral to Specialist Nurse - Organ Donation (SN-OD)

Funnel plots of DBD and DCD referral rates are displayed in Figure 3.3.1. The 2015/16 national targets of 96% and 79% for DBD and DCD, respectively, are also shown on the funnel plots, for information. Every patient who meets the referral criteria should be identified and referred to the SN-OD, as per NICE CG135¹ and NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT) Best Practice Guidance on timely identification and referral of potential organ donors².

Figure 3.3.1 Funnel plots of referral rates, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016

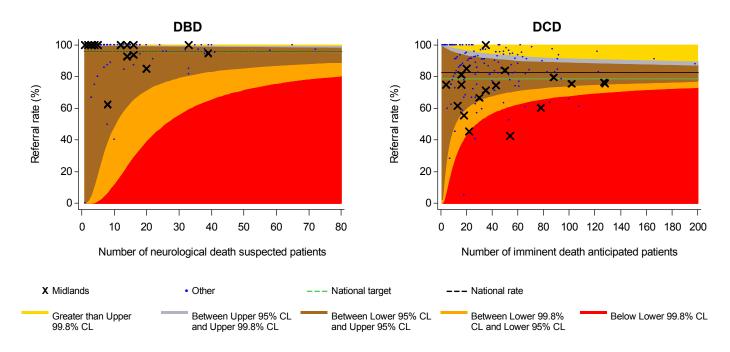


Table 3.3.1 shows the reasons why patients were not referred to a SN-OD, if applicable, for your Team.

Table 3.3.1 Reasons given why patient not referred, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016										
		OBD	ı	DCD						
	N	%	N	%						
Not identified as a potential donor/organ donation not considered	2	20.0	85	35.3						
Coroner/Procurator Fiscal Reason	1	10.0	1	0.4						
Family declined donation prior to neurological testing	1	10.0	1	0.4						
Family declined donation after neurological testing	1	10.0	-	_						
Family declined donation following decision to withdraw treatment	-	_	1	0.4						
Medical contraindications	1	10.0	75	31.1						
Thought to be medically unsuitable	-	_	49	20.3						
Thought to be outside age criteria	-	_	5	2.1						
Pressure on ICU beds	-	_	2	0.8						
Neurological death not confirmed	2	20.0	-	_						
Clinician assessed that patient was unlikely to become asystolic	-	_	2	8.0						
within 4 hours										
Other	2	20.0	20	8.3						
Total	10	100.0	241	100.0						

If 'other' or 'medical contraindications', please contact your local SN-OD for more information, if required. Please note that patients may appear in this table more than once if they met the referral criteria for both DBD and DCD donation.



Early referral to the SN-OD is important to enable the opportunity for donation to be maximised. Early referral triggers should be in place to ensure all donors are identified to the SN-OD to allow the family the option of organ donation. For patients who were referred, Table 3.3.2 shows the timing of the first contact with the SN-OD by the clinical staff. All patients meeting the referral criteria should be referred as early as possible to enable attendance of the SN-OD to assess suitability for donation and ensure that a planned approach for consent to the family is made in line with NICE CG135¹ and NHSBT Best Practice Guidance on approaching the families of potential organ donors³.

Table 3.3.2 Timing of first contact with a SN-OD by clinical staff, for patients who were referred, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016

	<b>N</b>	DBD %	N	DCD %
Before sedation stopped	13	6.4	25	3.9
Absence of one or more cranial nerve reflexes and GCS of 4 or less not explained by sedation	87	42.9	31	4.9
No sedation or after sedation stopped, decision made to carry out BSD tests, before 1st set of tests	76	37.4	11	1.7
After 1st set and before 2nd set of BSD tests	4	2.0	-	0.0
After neurological death confirmation	3	1.5	-	0.0
Clinical decision to withdraw life-sustaining treatment has been made, before treatment withdrawn	20	9.9	559	87.6
After treatment withdrawn	-	0.0	12	1.9
Not reported	-	0.0	-	0.0
Total	203	100.0	638	100.0

NB, 32 patients with suspected neurological death also went on to meet the referral criteria for DCD donation, and are therefore included twice.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> NICE, 2011. *NICE Clinical Guidelines - CG135* [online]. Available at: <a href="http://publications.nice.org.uk/organ-donation-for-transplantation-improving-donor-identification-and-consent-rates-for-deceased-cg135/recommendations">http://publications.nice.org.uk/organ-donation-for-transplantation-improving-donor-identification-and-consent-rates-for-deceased-cg135/recommendations</a>> [accessed 9 May 2016]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> NHS Blood and Transplant, 2012. *Timely Identification and Referral of Potential Organ Donors - A Strategy for Implementation of Best Practice* [online]. Available at:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> NHS Blood and Transplant, 2013. *Approaching the Families of Potential Organ Donors – Best Practice Guidance* [online]. Available at:

<sup>&</sup>lt;a href="http://www.odt.nhs.uk/pdf/family">-</a> approach best practice guide.pdf> [accessed 9 May 2016]



# 3.4 Contraindications

Table 3.4.1 shows the primary absolute medical contraindications to solid organ donation, if applicable, for potential DBD donors confirmed dead by neurological death tests and potential DCD donors in your Team.

Table 3.4.1 Primary absolute medical contraindications to solid organ donation, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016	,	
	DBD	DCD
Any cancer with evidence of spread outside affected organ (including lymph nodes) within 3 years	1	108
Melanoma (except completely excised Stage 1 cancers)	_	2
Active haematological malignancy (myeloma, lymphoma, leukaemia)	2	54
TB: active and untreated	-	5
HIV disease (but not HIV infection)	-	2
No transplantable organ in accordance with organ specific contraindications	2	71
Total	5	242



# 3.5 Family approach

Funnel plots of DBD and DCD family approach rates are displayed in Figure 3.5.1. The 2015/16 national targets of 93.5% and 47% for DBD and DCD, respectively, are also shown on the plots, for information. All families of eligible donors should be formally approached for a decision about organ donation.

Figure 3.5.1 Funnel plots of approach rates, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016

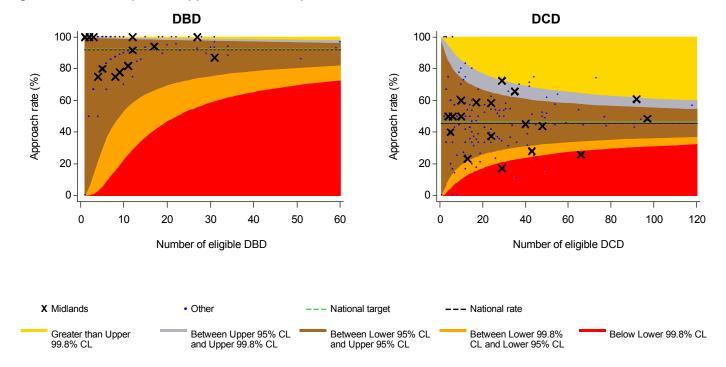


Table 3.5.1 shows the reasons why patients were not formally approached for a decision about organ donation, if applicable, for your Team.

	DBD DCD					
	N	%	N	%		
Family stated that they would not consent/authorise before they were formally approached	2	12.5	5	1.6		
Family untraceable	-	_	7	2.2		
Family considered too upset to approach	2 5	12.5	5	1.6		
Coroner/Procurator Fiscal refused permission	5	31.3	6	1.9		
Patient's general medical condition	1	6.3	95	29.9		
Other medical reason	-	-	37	11.6		
Pressure on ICU beds	-	-	7	2.2		
Other	6	37.5	71	22.3		
Not identified as a potential donor / organ donation not considered	-	-	85	26.7		
Total	16	100.0	318	100.0		

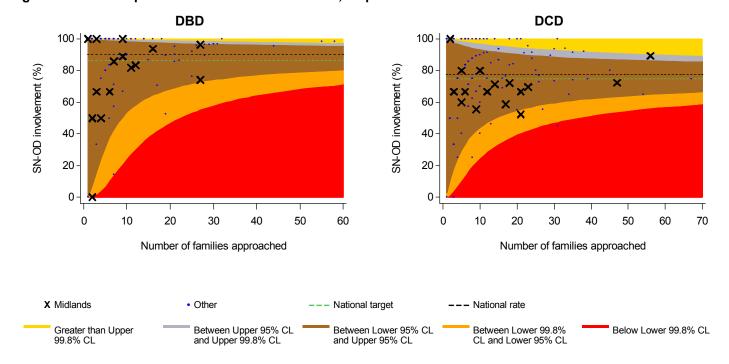


# 3.6 Proportion of approaches involving a SN-OD

In the UK, in 2015/16, when a SN-OD was not involved in the approach to the family for a decision about organ donation, DBD and DCD consent rates were 51% and 24%, respectively, compared with DBD and DCD consent rates of 70% and 67%, respectively, when a SN-OD was involved. NICE CG135¹ and NHSBT Best Practice Guidance on approaching the families of potential organ donors³ reinforces that every approach to those close to the patient should be planned with the multidisciplinary team (MDT), should involve the SN-OD and should be clearly planned taking into account the known wishes of the patient. The Organ Donor Register (ODR) should be checked in all cases of potential donation and this information must be discussed with the family as it represents the eligible donor's legal consent to donation.

Funnel plots of DBD and DCD SN-OD involvement rates are displayed in Figure 3.6.1. The 2015/16 national targets of 87% and 75% for DBD and DCD, respectively, are also shown, for information. A SN-OD should be actively involved in the formal approach to the family and an approach plan made and followed.

Figure 3.6.1 Funnel plots of SN-OD involvement rates, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016





# 3.7 Consent

Funnel plots of DBD and DCD consent rates are displayed in Figure 3.7.1. The 2015/16 national targets of 72.5% and 58.5% for DBD and DCD, respectively, are also shown, for information.

Figure 3.7.1 Funnel plot of consent rates, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016

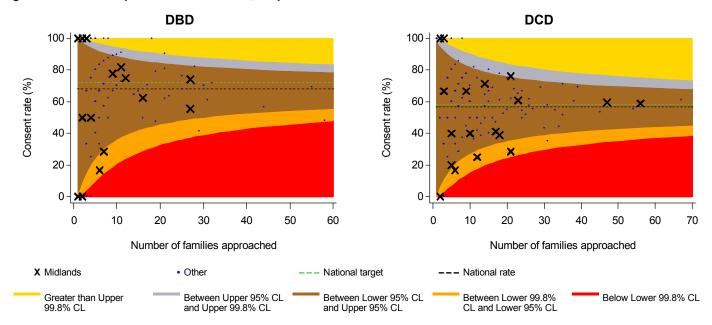


Table 3.7.1 shows the reasons why families did not give consent, if applicable, for your Team.

		DBD		DCD
	N	%	N	%
Patient previously expressed a wish not to donate	9	18.0	18	14.0
Family were not sure whether the patient would have agreed to donation	7	14.0	26	20.2
amily did not believe in donation	1	2.0	6	4.7
Family felt it was against their religious/cultural beliefs	2	4.0	3	2.3
Family were divided over the decision	4	8.0	4	3.1
Family felt the patient had suffered enough	1	2.0	9	7.0
family did not want surgery to the body	3	6.0	8	6.2
amily wanted to stay with the patient after death	ĺ	2.0	5	3.9
amily had difficulty understanding/accepting neurological testing	2	4.0	-	-
amily felt the length of time for donation process was too long	2	4.0	19	14.7
amily felt the body needs to be buried whole (unrelated to religious or	8	16.0	9	7.0
ultural reasons)	•			
Family concerned that organs may not be transplanted	_	_	1	0.8
Family concerned donation may delay the funeral	_	_	i i	0.8
Strong refusal - probing not appropriate	4	8.0	11	8.5
Other	6	12.0	9	7.0
Total Control of the	50	100.0	129	100.0



# 3.8 Reasons why solid organ donation did not occur

Table 3.8.1 shows the reasons why solid organ donation did not occur, if applicable, for your Team.

	DBD DCD					
	N	%	N	%		
Family changed mind	_	_	8	11.1		
Coroner/ Procurator Fiscal refusal	-	-	7	9.7		
Organs deemed medically unsuitable by recipient centres	3	50.0	15	20.8		
Organs deemed medically unsuitable on surgical inspection	2	33.3	1	1.4		
Prolonged time to asystole	-	-	28	38.9		
Cardiac arrest	-	-	2	2.8		
General instability	1	16.7	8	11.1		
Logistic reasons	-	-	1	1.4		
Other	-	-	2	2.8		
Total	6	100.0	72	100.0		



# 4. PDA data by Trust

# A summary of key numbers and rates from the PDA by Trust

# 4.1 Key numbers and rates by Trust

Tables 4.1.1 and 4.1.2 show the key numbers and rates for patients who met the DBD and/or DCD referral criteria, respectively. Caution should be applied when interpreting percentages based on small numbers.

Patients where neurological death was suspected	Patients that were tested	Neurological death testing rate (%)	Patients where neurological death was suspected that were referred to SN-OD	DBD referral rate (%)	Patients confirmed dead by neurological testing	Eligible DBD donors (Death confirmed by neurological tests and no absolute contra- indications)	Eligible DBD donors whose family were approached	DBD approach rate (%)	Families consenting donation	DBD consent rate (%)	Actual DBE and DCD donors from eligible DBD donors	DBD SN-OE involvement rate (%)
1 April 2015 t	o 31 March	2016										
Birmingham ( 8	Children's H	ospital NHS Foo 63	undation Trust 5	63	5	4	3	75	3	100	3	67
Burton Hospit 3	als NHS Fo 2	undation Trust 67	3	100	2	2	2	100	1	50	1	50
Derby Hospita 4	als NHS Foo	undation Trust 25	4	100	1	1	1	100	0	0	0	100
George Eliot I 1	Hospital NH 1	S Trust 100	1	100	1	1	1	100	1	100	1	100
Heart of Engla	and NHS Fo	oundation Trust 92	12	100	11	11	9	82	7	78	5	89
Mid Staffordsl 0	hire NHS Fo	oundation Trust -	0	-	0	0	0	-	0	-	0	-
Nottingham U 39	Iniversity Ho 27	ospitals NHS Tr 69	ust 37	95	27	27	27	100	15	56	15	96
Sandwell and 16	West Birmii 10	ngham Hospital 63	s NHS Trust 15	94	9	9	7	78	2	29	2	86
Sherwood For 3	rest Hospita 0	ls NHS Founda 0	tion Trust 3	100	0	0	0	-	0	-	0	-
Shrewsbury a 14	and Telford F 14	Hospital NHS Tr 100	ust 14	100	13	12	12	100	9	75	8	83
South Warwic 3	ckshire NHS 3	Foundation Tru 100	ıst 3	100	3	3	3	100	3	100	3	100
The Dudley G 2	Group Of Ho	spitals NHS Foo 100	undation Trust 2	100	2	2	2	100	0	0	0	50
The Royal Wo	olverhampto 9	n Hospitals NH 75	S Trust 12	100	9	8	6	75	1	17	1	67
University Ho 33	spitals Birm 32	ingham NHS F	oundation Trus 33	t 100	32	31	27	87	20	74	18	74
University Ho 16	espitals Cove 12	entry and Warw 75	ickshire NHS 16	Trust 100	12	12	11	92	9	82	9	82
University Ho	spitals Of L	eicester NHS T	rust 13	93	11	11	9	82	7	78	6	100



Table 4.1.1 Patients who met the DBD referral criteria - key numbers and rates, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016 (1 April 2014 - 31 March 2015 for comparison)

Patients where neurological death was suspected 20		Neurological	Patients where neurological death was suspected that were referred to SN-OD	DBD referral rate (%) 85	Patients confirmed dead by neurological testing 17	Eligible DBD donors (Death confirmed by neurological tests and no absolute contraindications)	Eligible DBD donors whose family were approached 16	DBD approach rate (%) 94	Families consenting donation 10	DBD consent rate (%)	Actual DBD and DCD donors from eligible DBD donors 10	DBD SN-OD involvement rate (%) 94
Walsall Healtl	ncare NHS Tru 3	ust 60	5	100	3	2	2	100	2	100	2	0
Worcestershir 5	re Acute Hosp 5	oitals NHS Trus 100	st 5	100	5	5	4	80	2	50	2	50
1 April 2014 t	o 31 March 20	015 (for comp	arison purpo	oses)								
Birmingham (	Children's Hosp 3	pital NHS Four 50	ndation Trust 5	83	3	3	2	67	2	100	2	50
Burton Hospit 4	als NHS Foun 4	dation Trust 100	4	100	4	4	4	100	1	25	1	75
Derby Hospita 5	als NHS Found 3	dation Trust 60	5	100	3	3	3	100	2	67	2	100
George Eliot I	Hospital NHS 1	Trust 50	2	100	1	1	1	100	1	100	1	100
Heart of Engla	and NHS Foun 12	ndation Trust 92	13	100	12	10	9	90	5	56	5	67
Mid Staffordsh 1	nire NHS Four 1	ndation Trust 100	1	100	1	1	1	100	0	0	0	100
Nottingham U 28	niversity Hosp 22	oitals NHS Trus 79	st 27	96	21	20	19	95	10	53	9	84
Sandwell and 12	West Birmingl 5	ham Hospitals 42	NHS Trust 11	92	5	5	4	80	3	75	3	100
Sherwood For 3	rest Hospitals i 3	NHS Foundation	on Trust 3	100	3	3	3	100	3	100	3	33
Shrewsbury a	nd Telford Hos 11	spital NHS Tru 92	<i>st</i> 11	92	11	10	8	80	7	88	6	38
South Warwic	kshire NHS F 2	oundation Trus 100	st 2	100	2	2	2	100	2	100	2	50
The Dudley G	roup Of Hospi 4	itals NHS Four 80	ndation Trust 4	80	4	1	1	100	0	0	0	100
The Royal Wo	olverhampton 5	Hospitals NHS 56	S Trust 9	100	5	5	5	100	3	60	1	80
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26	20	ester NHS Tru 77	25	96	20	20	19	95	11	58	9	58
25	18	th Midlands NF 72	HS Trust 24	96	17	17	17	100	13	76	13	76
3	ncare NHS Tru 2	67	3	100	2	2	1	50	1	100	1	100
Worcestershir 13	e Acute Hosp 12	oitals NHS Trus 92	st 13	100	12	12	11	92	11	100	11	73



Table 4.1.2 Patients who met the DCD referral criteria - key numbers and rates, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016 (1 April 2014 - 31 March 2015 for comparison)

Eligible DCD donors (Imminent death Patients for anticipated and whom imminent treatment withdrawn with Eligible DCD Actual DCD Patients for Patients for death was whom imminent anticipated that whom no absolute donors whose Families donors from DCD SN-OD DCD referral DCD approach DCD consent death was were referred treatment was contrafamily were consenting eligible DCD involvement to SN-OD anticipated rate (%) withdrawn indications) approached rate (%) donation rate (%) donors rate (%) 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016 Birmingham Children's Hospital NHS Foundation Trust Burton Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust Derby Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust George Eliot Hospital NHS Trust Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust Sandwell and West Birmingham Hospitals NHS Trust Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust The Dudley Group Of Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust The Royal Wolverhampton Hospitals NHS Trust University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust University Hospitals Of Leicester NHS Trust University Hospitals Of North Midlands NHS Trust Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust 1 April 2014 to 31 March 2015 (for comparison purposes) Birmingham Children's Hospital NHS Foundation Trust Burton Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust Derby Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust



Table 4.1.2 Patients who met the DCD referral criteria - key numbers and rates, 1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016 (1 April 2014 - 31 March 2015 for comparison)

Patients for whom imminen death was anticipated 31	Patients for whom imminent death was t anticipated that were referred to SN-OD 21	DCD referral rate (%)	Patients for whom treatment was withdrawn 30	Eligible DCD donors (Imminent death anticipated and treatment withdrawn with no absolute contra- indications)	Eligible DCD donors whose family were approached 13	DCD approach rate (%)	Families consenting donation	DCD consent rate (%)	Actual DCD donors from eligible DCD donors 1	DCD SN-OD involvement rate (%) 46
George Eliot F	Hospital NHS Trus 8	st 100	7	7	5	71	3	60	2	40
Heart of Engla	nd NHS Foundat 37	ion Trust 61	52	32	17	53	9	53	5	59
Mid Staffordsh 2	ire NHS Foundat 1	tion Trust 50	2	2	0	0	0	-	0	-
Nottingham Ui 140	niversity Hospital 107	s NHS Trust 76	135	90	56	62	30	54	16	66
Sandwell and 1 73	West Birminghan 57	n Hospitals NH 78	S Trust 66	56	20	36	7	35	4	70
Sherwood Fore 21	est Hospitals NH 8	S Foundation T 38	rust 20	16	6	38	5	83	3	67
Shrewsbury an 37	nd Telford Hospita 19	al NHS Trust 51	30	26	2	8	1	50	0	100
South Warwick 17	kshire NHS Foun 15	dation Trust 88	16	12	4	33	0	0	0	25
The Dudley Gi	roup Of Hospitals 32	NHS Foundati 78	ion Trust 40	35	11	31	5	45	3	55
The Royal Wo	lverhampton Hos 35	spitals NHS Tru 74	ust 44	36	17	47	6	35	1	65
University Hos	spitals Birmingha 80	m NHS Founda 68	ation Trust 109	50	28	56	12	43	4	54
University Hos 53	spitals Coventry a 45	and Warwicksh 85	ire NHS Trust 51	36	28	78	14	50	7	57
University Hos 93	spitals Of Leicest 63	er NHS Trust 68	87	53	29	55	16	55	6	55
University Hos 120	spitals Of North N 78	Midlands NHS 7 65	Trust 117	95	32	34	11	34	3	47
Walsall Health 16	ncare NHS Trust 10	63	13	12	6	50	4	67	2	33
Worcestershire 21	e Acute Hospital: 12	s NHS Trust 57	20	14	8	57	4	50	1	38

Tables 4.1.1 and 4.1.2 show the unit where the patient died. However, it is acknowledged that there are some occasions where a patient is referred in an Emergency Department but moves to a critical care unit. In total, for the Midlands team in 2015/16 there were 60 such patients.

It is acknowledged that the PDA does not capture all activity. In total there were 62 patients referred in 2015/16 who are not included in Section 2 onwards because they were either over 80 years of age or did not die in a unit participating in the PDA. 1 of these is included in Section 1 because they became a solid organ donor.

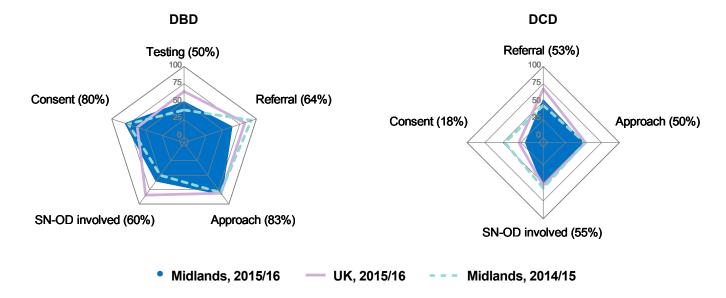


# 5. Paediatric ICU data

# A summary of key rates from the PDA for Paediatric ICUs

# 5.1 PICU data

The UK average rates for paediatric ICUs are displayed on the radar charts along with the rates achieved by the paediatric ICUs covered by your Team. A comparison is also provided for the equivalent period last year. Caution should be applied when interpreting percentages based on small numbers. Note that neonatal ICUs have not been included.



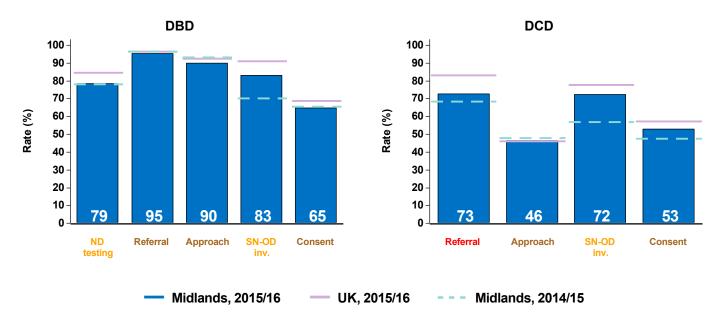


# **Appendices**

# Appendix A.1 Bar charts of key rates

Figure A.1.1 shows the same information as the radar charts in Section 2 but in an alternative format. The bars show the latest rates for your Team. Purple lines have been superimposed to provide a comparison with the UK and turquoise dashed lines show the rates achieved by your Team in the equivalent period last year. The colour of the rate label indicates the Team performance as shown in the appropriate funnel plot using the gold, silver, bronze, amber, and red (GoSBAR) scheme.

Figure A.1.1 DBD and DCD key rates





# **Appendix A.2 Definitions**

POTENTIAL DONOR AUDIT / REFERRAL RECORD

Data excluded Patients who did not die on a critical care unit or an emergency department and

patients aged over 80 years are excluded.

Donors after brain death (DBD)

Suspected Neurological Death A patient who meets all of the following criteria: Apnoea, coma from known aetiology

and unresponsive, ventilated, fixed pupils. Excluding those not tested due to reasons 'cardiac arrest despite resuscitation', 'brainstem reflexes returned', 'neonates - less

than 2 months post term'.

Potential DBD donor A patient who meets all four criteria for neurological death testing excluding those not

tested due to reasons 'cardiac arrest despite resuscitation', 'brainstem reflexes returned', 'neonates – less than 2 months post term' (ie suspected neurological death,

as defined above).

DBD referral criteria A patient with suspected neurological death

Discussed with Specialist A patient with suspected neurological death discussed with the Specialist

Nurse – Organ Donation Nurse – Organ Donation (SN-OD)

Neurological death tested Neurological death tests were performed

Eligible DBD donor A patient confirmed dead by neurological death tests, with no absolute medical

contraindications to solid organ donation

Absolute contraindications Absolute medical contraindications to organ donation are listed here:

http://www.odt.nhs.uk/pdf/contraindications\_to\_organ\_donation.pdf

Family approached for consent / authorisation

Family of eligible DBD asked to make a decision on donation

Family consented / authorised Family consented to / authorised donation

Actual donors: DBD Neurological death confirmed patients who became actual DBD as reported through

the PDA

Actual donors: DCD Neurological death confirmed patients who became actual DCD as reported through

the PDA

Neurological death testing rate Percentage of patients for whom neurological death was suspected who were tested

Referral rate Percentage of patients for whom neurological death was suspected who were

discussed with the SN-OD

Approach rate Percentage of eligible DBD families approached for consent /authorisation for

donation

Consent / authorisation rate Percentage of families approached about donation that consented to / authorised

donation

(black, asian and minority ethnic)), based on those patients whose family were

approached for consent /authorisation and patient ethnicity was known

SN-OD involvement rate Percentage of family approaches where a SN-OD was involved

to / authorised donation



Donors after circulatory death (DCD)

Imminent death anticipated A patient, not confirmed dead using neurological criteria, receiving assisted ventilation,

a clinical decision to withdraw treatment has been made and death is anticipated

DCD referral criteria A patient in whom imminent death is anticipated (as defined above)

Discussed with Specialist Patients for whom imminent death was anticipated who were discussed with the

Nurse – Organ Donation SN-OD

Potential DCD donor A patient who had treatment withdrawn and death was anticipated within four hours Eligible DCD donor

A patient who had treatment withdrawn and death was anticipated within four hours,

with no absolute medical contraindications to solid organ donation

Absolute contraindications Absolute medical contraindications to organ donation are listed here:

http://www.odt.nhs.uk/pdf/contraindications to organ donation.pdf

Family of eligible DCD asked to make a decision on donation

Family approached for

consent / authorisation

Family consented / authorised

Actual DCD DCD patients who became actual DCD as reported through the PDA

Referral rate Percentage of patients for whom imminent death was anticipated who were discussed

Family consented to / authorised donation

with the SN-OD

Percentage of eligible DCD families approached for consent /authorisation for Approach rate

donation

Consent / authorisation rate Percentage of families approached about donation that consented to / authorised

donation

Expected consent / authorisation rate The expected consent / authorisation rate given the ethnicity case mix (white or BAME

(black, asian and minority ethnic)), based on those patients whose family were

approached for consent /authorisation and patient ethnicity was known

SN-OD involvement rate Percentage of family approaches where a SN-OD was involved

SN-OD consent / authorisation rate Percentage of families approached about donation by a SN-OD that consented

to / authorised donation

**UK Transplant Registry (UKTR)** 

Donor type Type of donor: Donation after brain death (DBD) or donation after circulatory death

(DCD)

Number of actual donors Total number of donors reported to the UKTR

Number of patients transplanted Total number of patients transplanted from these donors

Number of organs donated divided by number of donors. The maximum number of Organs per donor

solid organs that can be donated are 7 for a DBD and 6 for a DCD.

Number of organs transplanted Total number of organs transplanted by organ type

On 1 April 2013 significant changes were made to the PDA. The main changes that should be borne in mind, especially when making comparisons across time periods, are as follows:

- Upper age limit increased from 75 to 80 years.
- Cardiothoracic ICUs included.
- Changes to imminent death definition to be clear that death was anticipated within four hours.
- Contraindications brought in line with current practice.
- Terminology changes, eg 'potential donor' changed to 'eligible donor', for consistency with World Health Organisation definitions.



# Appendix A.3 Data description

This report provides a summary of data relating to potential and actual organ donors as recorded by NHS Blood and Transplant via the Potential Donor Audit (PDA), the accompanying Referral Record and the UK Transplant Registry for the Midlands Team. The report covers the time period 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016 and data from 1 April 2014 to 31 March 2015 are also provided in certain sections for comparison purposes.

As part of the PDA, patients aged over 80 years of age and those who did not die on a critical care unit or an emergency department are not audited nationally and are therefore excluded from the majority of this report. In addition, some information from this time period may be outstanding due to late reporting and difficulties obtaining patient notes. Donations not captured by the PDA will still be included in the data supplied from the accompanying Referral Record or from the UK Transplant Registry, as appropriate.

Some percentages in this report were calculated using small numbers and should therefore be interpreted with caution.

Please refer any queries or requests for further information to your local Specialist Nurse - Organ Donation (SN-OD)



# Appendix A.4 Table and figure description

Each table and figure displayed throughout the report is described below to aid interpretation.

### 1.1 Donor outcomes

Table 1.1.1

The number of actual donors, the resulting number of patients transplanted and the average number of organs donated per donor have been obtained from the UK Transplant Registry for your Team. Results have been displayed separately for donors after brain death (DBD) and donors after circulatory death (DCD).

Table 1.1.2

The number of organs transplanted by type from donors within your Team has been obtained from the UK Transplant Registry. Further information can be obtained from your local Specialist Nurse – Organ Donation (SN-OD), specifically regarding organs that were not transplanted. Results have been displayed separately for DBD and DCD.

# **2.1 Key rates** Figure 2.1.1

Radar charts are displayed showing specific percentage measures of potential donation activity for your Team compared with national data for the UK, and compared with an equivalent time period from the previous financial year, using data from the Potential Donor Audit (PDA). The DBD charts show the percentage of patients tested for neurological death, and all four charts also show the referral rates, approach rates, proportion of approaches involving a SN-OD and observed consent/authorisation rates. Appendix A.2 gives a fuller explanation of terms used.

The blue shaded area represents your Team, and the national rates are superimposed as a solid purple line for comparison. The equivalent period from the previous year is superimposed as a dashed turquoise line. The fuller the blue shaded area the better. Note that 0% and 'not applicable (N/A)' rates appear the same. The rates have therefore been displayed on the spokes of the radar charts. The rates are coloured using the gold, silver, bronze, amber, and red (GoSBAR) colour scheme to show the performance of one Trust/Board as reflected in the plots (see description in figure 3.2.1 below)

Note that caution should be applied when interpreting percentages based on small numbers and when comparing time periods.

**2.2 Key numbers, rates and comparison with national targets**Table 2.2.1 A summary of DBD and DCD data and key rates have been obtained from the PDA. A national comparison and a time period comparison are provided. Note that caution should be applied when interpreting percentages based on small numbers and comparing time periods. Appendix A.2 gives a fuller explanation of terms used.

The key rates are highlighted using the gold, silver, bronze, amber, and red (GoSBAR) colour scheme to show the performance of the Trust/Board as reflected in the funnel plots (see description for figure 3.2.1 below)

National targets specific to the financial year are displayed throughout Section 3.

# 3.1 Overview of lost opportunities

**Figure 3.1.1** 

The stages at which potential donors lose the opportunity to become actual donors have been obtained from the PDA. There are four charts showing the DBD and DCD stages separately for your Team and the UK, all of which contain a comparison against an equivalent period from the previous financial year. The number of potential donors is shown on the vertical axis for each chart and at each 'step' the proportion of potential donors lost at that stage is displayed. Caution should be applied when interpreting percentages based on small numbers and comparing time periods.

# 3.2 Neurological death testing

Figure 3.2.1

A funnel plot of the neurological death testing rate is displayed using data obtained from the PDA. Each Trust/Board is represented on the plot as a blue dot, although one dot may represent more than one Trust/Board. Trusts/Boards within your Team are shown on the plot as large black crosses. The national target is shown on the plot as a green horizontal dashed line. The national rate is shown on the plot as a black horizontal dashed line, together with 95% and 99.8% confidence limits for this rate. These limits form a 'funnel', shaded using a gold, silver, bronze, amber, and red (GoSBAR) colour scheme. Graphs obtained in this way are known as funnel plots.

If a Trust/Board lies within the 95% limits, shaded bronze, then that Trust/Board has a rate that is statistically consistent with the national rate. If a Trust/Board lies outside the 95% confidence limits, shaded silver or amber, this serves as an alert that the Trust/Board may have a rate that is significantly different from the national rate. When a Trust/Board lies above the upper 99.8% limit, shaded gold, this indicates a rate that is significantly higher than the national rate, while a Trust/Board that lies below the lower limit, shaded red, has a rate that is significantly lower than the national rate. It is important to note that differences in patient mix have not been accounted for in these plots.

The funnel plots can also be used to identify the maximum rates currently being achieved by Trusts/Boards with similar donor potential.

Table 3.2.1

The reasons given for neurological death tests not being performed have been obtained from the PDA, if applicable.



3.3 Referral to Specialist Nurse - Organ Donation

Funnel plots of DBD and DCD referral rates are displayed using data obtained from the PDA. See Figure 3.3.1

description for Figure 3.2.1 above.

The reasons for not referring the patient to the SN-OD have been obtained from the PDA, if applicable. Table 3.3.1

Table 3.3.2 For patients who were referred, the timings of the first contact with the SN-OD by clinical staff have been

obtained from the PDA

# 3.4 Contraindications

Table 3.4.1 The primary absolute medical contraindications to solid organ donation have been obtained from the PDA, if

applicable.

# 3.5 Family approach

Funnel plots of DBD and DCD approach rates are displayed using data obtained from the PDA. See Figure 3.5.1

description for Figure 3.2.1 above.

Table 3.5.1 The reasons why families were not formally approached for a decision about solid organ donation have been obtained from the PDA, if applicable.

**3.6 Proportion** of approaches involving a SN-OD Figure 3.6.1 Funnel plots of DBD and DCD SN-OD involvement rates are displayed using data obtained from the PDA.

See description for Figure 3.2.1 above.

### 3.7 Consent

Figure 3.7.1 Funnel plots of DBD and DCD consent/authorisation rates are displayed using data obtained from the PDA.

See description for Figure 3.2.1 above.

Table 3.7.1 The reasons why families did not give consent/authorisation for solid organ donation have been obtained

from the PDA, if applicable.

### 3.8 Reasons why solid organ donation did not occur

Table 3.8.1 The reasons why solid organ donation did not occur have been obtained from the PDA, if applicable.

### 4.1 Key numbers and rates by Trusts/Boards within your Team

Table 4.1.1 DBD key numbers and rates by Trusts/Boards covered by your Team have been obtained from the PDA.

Data for the current time period are included, along with an equivalent comparison period from the previous

year. If the Trusts/Boards are not equivalent for the two time periods, this is due to Trust/Board changes, and/or there were no patients for whom neurological death was suspected or imminent death was anticipated in one

of the time periods.

Caution should be applied when interpreting percentages based on small numbers and comparing time

periods.

Table 4.1.2 DCD key numbers and rates by unit where the patient died have been obtained from the PDA. See

description for Table 4.1.1 above.

# 5.1 PICU data

Radar charts have been used to display the DBD and DCD key rates from the PDA for paediatric ICUs. The Figure 5.1.1 UK average rates for paediatric ICUs are displayed along with the rates achieved by paediatric ICUs covered

by your Team. A comparison is also provided for the equivalent period from the previous year. See

description for Figure 2.1.1 above.

Caution should be applied when interpreting percentages based on small numbers and comparing time

periods.

# Appendix A.1 Bar charts of key rates

Figure A.1.1 Bar charts have been used to display the DBD and DCD key rates from the PDA. This is an alternative way

of displaying the information in Figure 2.1.1.

The percentages for your Team in the latest time period are displayed on each bar. Note that caution should

be applied when interpreting percentages based on small numbers and comparing time periods.