

PATIENTS WHO DIED ON THE WAITING LIST FOLLOWING DECEASED DONOR LUNG OFFER DECLINE

BACKGROUND

1. NHSBT and the Organ Utilisation Programme have endeavoured to investigate cases of lung transplant offer declines for patients on the urgent or super-urgent waiting list and demonstrate the subsequent outcomes for those patients for whom the offer was declined.
2. This report informs centres of incidents where a patient has died on the urgent or super-urgent waiting list after a deceased donor lung has been declined for them and the lung was subsequently implanted into another patient with reasonable outcomes.
3. This report will be sent out on an annual basis.

INCLUSION CRITERIA

4. Patients who died when they were active or suspended on the deceased donor lung transplant wait list, or those who died following removal from the list where the registry was notified of their death. Transplant units notify the registry of patient deaths. Only patients who did not receive a lung transplant are included.
5. Other inclusion criteria are:
 - a named-patient lung transplant offer was made to a patient from **01/04/2022 to 31/12/2022**, and declined
 - deceased donor lung offers (DBD or DCD)
 - the organ was subsequently accepted for another patient (at the same unit or another unit), resulted in a lung transplant, and that patient was alive at one-year post-transplant.

Offers where the primary reason for decline was due to 'recipient refusal' have been excluded. In all other cases, the primary and secondary reason for decline have been shown. Where the 'primary reason for decline' was 'other', the free text reason for decline has been shown if present.