

NHSBT BOARD - JANUARY 2024

UPDATE FROM THE WELSH GOVERNMENT

A substantial update was provided for the last meeting in November 2023. A detailed year-end report summary with detailed overview will be provided at a future Board meeting.

Donation activity and key priorities:

Activity/performance (YTD Q3 inclusive of Dec 2023)

- 45 proceeding donors.
- A slight reduction observed in the donor pool.
- · Consistently high referral rates.
- Consent rates remain a challenge and focus, specifically understanding and focussing on deemed consent.
- We acknowledge the legislation has been implemented into Wales for 10 years now and is established, with observed higher opt out rates than other nations.
- Numbers are small which can cause fluctuations in perceived performance.

Priorities

- We continue to focus on the delivery of Welsh Plan 2022-2026.
- Public engagement and promotion to raise the profile of organ and tissue donation, currently exploring utilising funds for some national media.
- Delivery of actions from All Wales Deep Dive into Consent.

Future events

- Two planned Organ Donation Collaborative events, Spring and Autumn.
- Plans are in place for Transplant week already to raise profile of organ donation and consent.