

NHS BLOOD AND TRANSPLANT

BOWEL ADVISORY GROUP

INTESTINAL TRANSPLANT RECORD FORM RETURNS

BACKGROUND

1. The collection of transplant data for the UK Transplant Registry (UKTR) for patients receiving an intestinal transplant began in 2008 for all transplants since 1 July 2008.
2. The Data Services department within ODT contact the transplant centres for returns of the transplant record form.

FORM RETURNS

3. The number of forms due and returned by year and overall return rates (as at 20 September 2012) are presented by centre in **Table 1**. The national return rate is 61% but return rates are very variable between centres, Oxford have returned 100% of their forms and Cambridge, 6%.

Table 1 Intestinal Transplant Record and Follow-up form return rates, 1 January 2010 to 20 September 2012					
Transplant centre	Number of forms due (returned)				Return rate
	2010	2011	2012	Total	
Birmingham	9 (9)	5 (5)	4 (3)	18 (17)	94%
Cambridge	6 (1)	8 (0)	3 (0)	17 (1)	6%
King's College	3 (2)	3 (2)	1 (0)	7 (4)	57%
Oxford	2 (2)	5 (5)	2 (2)	9 (9)	100%
Total	20 (14)	21 (12)	10 (5)	51 (31)	61%

SUMMARY

4. Two centres have very good return rates, however the centre performing the second largest number of transplants has a poor return rate. As part of the IFALD project, records of these transplants will be migrated on to the National Transplant Database to facilitate the analyses of factors affecting intestinal transplant outcomes. At the moment, these low form return rates will severely affect the validity of these outcome analyses.