

Northern Ireland Organ Donation Services Team

Taking Organ Transplantation to 2020

In 2021/22, from 68 consented donors the Northern Ireland Organ Donation Services Team facilitated 55 actual solid organ donors resulting in 127 patients receiving a life-saving or life-changing transplant. Data obtained from the UK Transplant Registry.

In addition to the 55 proceeding donors there were 13 consented donors that did not proceed.

Best quality of care in organ donation

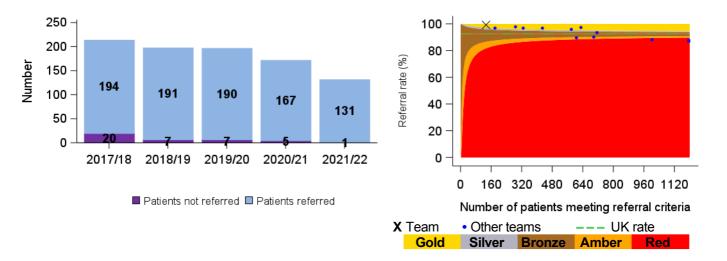
We acknowledge that the data presented in this section includes the period most significantly impacted by COVID-19 and appreciate that the COVID-19 pandemic affected Trusts/Boards differently across the UK.

Referral of potential deceased organ donors

Goal: Every patient who meets the referral criteria should be identified and referred to NHS Blood and Transplant's Organ Donation Service

Aim: There should be no purple on the chart

Aim: The team (marked with a cross) should fall within Bronze, Silver, or Gold



131 potential organ donors were referred to the team during 2021/22. There was 1 occasion where a potential organ donor was not referred.

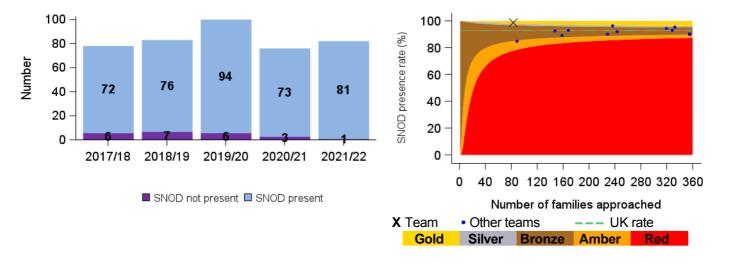


Presence of Specialist Nurse for Organ Donation

Goal: A Specialist Nurse for Organ Donation (SNOD) should be present during every organ donation discussion with families

Aim: There should be no purple on the chart

Aim: The team (marked with a cross) should fall within Bronze, Silver, or Gold



A SNOD was present for 81 organ donation discussions with families during 2021/22. There was 1 occasion where a SNOD was not present.



Further information

Further information on potential donors after brain death (DBD) and potential donors after circulatory death (DCD) within the region are shown below, including a UK comparison. Data obtained from the Potential Donor Audit (PDA).

Key numbers, rates and comparison wit 1 April 2021 - 31 March 2022	h UK d	ata,							
	DBD Northern			DCD Northern			Deceased donors Northern		
	Ireland		UK	Ireland		UK	Ireland		UK
Patients meeting organ donation referral criteria ¹		75	1919		69	5198		132	6767
Referred to Organ Donation Service		75	1894		68	4700		131	6258
Referral rate %	G	100%	99%	G	99%	90%	G	99%	92%
Neurological death tested		55	1530						
Testing rate %	В	73%	80%						
Eligible donors²		53	1373		43	2972		96	434
Family approached		50	1239		32	1445		82	268
Family approached and SNOD present		50	1188		31	1306		81	249
% of approaches where SNOD present	G	100%	96%	S	97%	90%	G	99%	93%
Consent ascertained		39	861		24	902		63	176
Consent rate %	В	78%	69%	В	75%	62%	S	77%	66%
- Expressed opt in		24	522		14	550		38	107
- Expressed opt in %		96%	95%		100%	90%		97%	92%
- Deemed Consent		0	260		0	267		0	527
- Deemed Consent %		N/A	63%		N/A	56%		N/A	59%
- Other*		15	78		10	83		25	161
- Other* %		65%	66%		63%	47%		64%	55%
Actual donors (PDA data)		37	787		17	602		54	138
% of consented donors that became actual donors		95%	91%		71%	67%		86%	79%

¹ DBD - A patient with suspected neurological death

Note that a patient that meets both the referral criteria for DBD and DCD organ donation is featured in both the DBD and DCD data but will only be counted once in the deceased donors total

Gold Silver Bronze Amber Red

For further information, including definitions, see the latest Potential Donor Audit report at www.odt.nhs.uk/statistics-and-reports/potential-donor-audit/

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

² 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

^{*} Includes patients where nation specific deemed criteria are not met and the patient has not expressed a donation decision in accordance with relevant legislation