



NHSBT BOARD SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT UPDATE – SEPTEMBER 2024

Donation and Transplantation Plan for Scotland: 2021-2026

Implementation of the recommendations from the Scottish Donation and Transplantation Plan continue to be taken forward by the working groups and SNBTS leading on the actions in relation to tissue donation.

Work is ongoing to draft the Transplant Patient Survey report, which will be presented to the Scottish Donation and Transplant Group in December.

Organ & Tissue Donation Week – September 2024

This year we will be encouraging people in Scotland to register their donation decision and discuss it with family and friends.

A [stakeholder toolkit](#) containing a range of tools and resources has been issued to partners and organisations promote the Week across their channels to encourage people to record their decision to be a donor, or to opt out of donation.

The Minister for Public Health & Women's Health will mark the week by visiting the Liver Transplant Unit at the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh to meet transplant staff and a liver recipient.

NHS Organ Donor Register figures

As of 4 September 2024, over half of the population of Scotland (56.6%) have recorded their donation decision on the NHS Organ Donor Register. Of this total, 53.3% have recorded a decision to be a donor, with 3.3% choosing to opt out.

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