

EVLP pilot program at Manchester - Discussion at RAG meeting 2 May 2024

Retrieval team Impact:

- No change, same process as for standard Lung transplant retrieval
- Longer lengths of cuff of PA, LA and trachea will be requested from retrieval team.

Hub operations:

1. Hub offering and allocation and all retrieval stays the same process.
2. When a donor Lung is offered to Manchester from Hub – If we can use directly for transplant – we shall accept as usual.
3. If we cannot use it directly for transplant – Our Tx coordinator will let the Hub know if we would be able to use towards EVLP for transplant (after discussion with EVLP team). Standard offering to other centres continues.
4. If all centres think lung is not directly transplantable, Hub will offer it back to Manchester for EVLP for transplant.
5. For fast track – same applies - that if not directly transplantable – Given to EVLP for transplant.

This is mostly what happens already.

Directly transplantable lungs (by any centre which has suitable recipient) should not be put on EVLP as there is no need/justification as Lung is already deemed suitable for transplant.