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# UK Living Kidney Donation (LKD) Network Newsletter



## INTRODUCTION

Dear All,

Welcome to the December UK LKD Network Newsletter.

We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the 2025 UK Living Donor Network meeting in Wolverhampton. The programme includes a great range of speakers and we are sure that the sessions will encourage lively group discussions as always! View the programme here: <https://nhsbt.dbe.blob.core.windows.net/umbraco-assets-corp/35231/uk-lkd-network-meeting-may-2025-programme.pdf>

This will be our final year as Co-Chairs of the Living Kidney Donor Network. We are therefore inviting expressions of interest in becoming the next Co-Chairs. We have greatly enjoyed our tenure and would thoroughly recommend putting your hat in the ring. It is a great way of meeting the multiprofessional teams from all around the UK who are involved in living donor transplantation and you will be well looked after by Lisa, Jen and the NHSBT secretariat.

**If you are interested in becoming a Co-Chair, please contact [lisa.burnapp@nhsbt.nhs.uk](mailto:lisa.burnapp@nhsbt.nhs.uk) by Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025.** If you would like to discuss more about what the role involves, either of us would be very happy to have a chat so please contact us directly at the emails at the end of this Newsletter.

**Colin Geddes- UK LKD Network Co-Chair, UK Kidney Association (UKKA) Lead**

**John Stoves- UK LKD Network Co-Chair, Clinical Lead Bradford Teaching Hospitals and KAG Representative for Non-Transplanting Centres**

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## Patient Safety Update

Transplant centres have a regulatory requirement to report certain clinical incidents related to living donation and transplantation to NHSBT under their Human Tissue Authority (HTA) license and are encouraged to report all incidents to NHSBT to facilitate shared learning. The Patient Safety Team (previously Clinical Governance) has performed a thematic review of reported living donation and transplantation incidents between 2022-2024, identifying themes and trends. View the Living Donation Incident Review:

<https://nhsbtdeb.blob.core.windows.net/umbraco-assets-corp/35233/living-donation-incident-review.pdf>

## 'Save the Dates':

### BTS/NHSBT Annual Congress 2025

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> to Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2024, The Brighton Centre

<https://bts.org.uk/bts-nhsbt-joint-congress-2025/>

### UK LKD Network Meeting 2025

- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2025, Wolverhampton Racecourse Conference Centre: Registration opens in early January 2025 – we will notify you by email; programme updates available at UK Living Kidney Donation Network webpage <https://www.odt.nhs.uk/living-donation/uk-living-kidney-donation-network/>

### UK Kidney Week 2025:

10<sup>h</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025, Bournemouth International Centre <https://www.ukkw.org/>

## Resources available from NHSBT:

**Activity and centre specific reports:** <https://www.odt.nhs.uk/statistics-and-reports/>

### Living Donation:

Professional resources: <https://www.odt.nhs.uk/living-donation/>

Donor information: <https://www.organdonation.nhs.uk/become-a-living-donor/>

Recipient information: <https://www.odt.nhs.uk/information-for-patients/>

Promotional materials: <https://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/how-you-can-help/get-involved/living-organ-donation-materials/>

Community Investment Scheme - Living Donation: <https://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/how-you-can-help/get-involved/community-grants-programme/about-the-programme>

Writing to living donors: [www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/writing-to-your-living-donor](http://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/writing-to-your-living-donor)

Kidney Advisory Group papers and regular living donation updates

<https://www.odt.nhs.uk/transplantation/kidney/kidney-advisory-group/>

## Donor-recipient information/organisations:

**Kidney Care UK:** <https://www.kidneycareuk.org/news-and-campaigns/coronavirus-advice/>

**National Kidney Federation:** <https://www.kidney.org.uk/news/coronavirus-latest-information-and-advice>

**Give a Kidney:** <https://www.giveakidney.org/>

**Gift of Living Donation (GOLD):** <http://giftoflivingdonation.co.uk/>

**Living Donation Scotland:** <https://www.organdonation.scot/living-donation>

**Northern Ireland:** [Donate Life](#)

## Professional Societies and other organisations:

**BTS:** <https://bts.org.uk/>

**UKKA:** <https://ukkidney.org/about-ukka>

**NHS England:** <https://www.england.nhs.uk/>

**Access to NHSE Renal Services Transformation Programme Transplantation Toolkit:**

<https://future.nhs.uk/system/login?nextURL=%2Fconnect%2Eti%2FRSTP>

**Human Tissue Authority:** <https://www.hta.gov.uk/>

**HTA Transplant Team:** [transplant@hta.gov.uk](mailto:transplant@hta.gov.uk)

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Please contact us if we can help or support you in any way:

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