

PHASE 2 – SCOUT PILOT PROJECT

Summary

The second phase of the Scout Project is progressing as anticipated. There are some issues regarding the completion and submission of data, which the project team are in the process of addressing.

Background

The second phase of the Scout Project was launched on the 1st April 2015 and aims to:

- § determine whether a Scout service can be established and adhere to attendance requirements.
- § test the main hypothesis that scout attendance leads to a higher proportion of donated hearts retrieved and transplanted, in comparison to cardiac donors who are managed without direct CT input.
- § identify how the presence of a scout impacts on number of hearts retrieved and transplanted.
- § evaluate if Scout attendance affects retrieval and transplantability of lungs and abdominal organs.
- § provide an evidence base for who is best placed to undertake cardiac donor optimisation.

Statistical Analysis

The statistical analysis of the first 2 months of data had been undertaken and provided to members.

Issues

The Working Group has identified the following issues:

Issue	Management
Completion of forms: § Incorrect version of form submitted § Not all relevant fields completed. § Data incorrectly inputted (e.g. 0.7 versus 7.0)	Direct contact to provide advice on correct form/ data field etc. Refresher training sessions every 2 months Reminder regarding correct forms/ guidance for completion Amend forms to remove risk of incorrect data entry where possible.
Submission of forms: § Some being submitted in paper copy § Delay in submission/forms not received	Reminder regarding correct forms/ guidance for completion
Audit of Scout attendance: § Delay/ non-response from Scout Champions regarding monthly confirmation of Scout activity	Scout Champions issued with reminder. Back-up audit of retrieval activity based on data from Duty Office.

Conclusion

The NRG is asked to note that the Scout project has been launched and is progressing as anticipated.

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