

**NHS BLOOD AND TRANSPLANT
ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION AND TRANSPLANTATION DIRECTORATE
CARDIOTHORACIC ADVISORY GROUP – HEARTS MEETING**

**ACTION POINTS ARISING FROM OR BEFORE
CTAG HEARTS MEETING ON WEDNESDAY 17 APRIL 2024**

Action No. & Agenda Item	Details	Owner	Target Date	Progress Update	Status
AP1 Item 2.2.1	CTAG Patients Routine Blood Monitoring Report – Access to patient advice lines was noted as a concern and an audit on this will follow.	Centre Directors	Autumn 2024		
AP2 Item 2.2.4	<u>Heart Allocation</u> - A fixed term working group discussed Vasculopathy in one meeting. There will a possible opportunity to look at this further when the CT service specification is up for review. An update on the CT review will follow in the autumn meeting.	R Venkateswaran	Autumn 2024		
AP3 Item 2.2.5	<u>Super-urgent paediatrics and ECMO</u> – Paediatric patients on ECMO needing super-urgent heart transplant need discussing between the two paediatric centres prior to listing and an agreement made on the urgency relative to patients waiting on Berlin Hearts. J Whitney to organise a meeting to agree wording in the policy with J Simmonds and Z Reinhardt.	J Whitney / Z Reinhardt / J Simmonds	Autumn 2024		
AP4 Item 2.2.6	<u>Six-month review of 20 CM rule change for GOSH</u> – A review will be conducted post-June 2024 once 6 months has passed. This should include data on the impact of the removal of the 20 cm rule on Newcastle paediatric patients. S Rushton to bring review to Centre Directors meeting followed by CTAG-Heart in the Autumn.	S Rushton	Autumn 2024		
AP5 Item 4.1	<u>Non-compliance with Heart Allocation</u> - DCD heart policy needs review by R Venkateswaran, D Macklam and M Berman	R Venkateswaran / D Macklam / M Berman	Autumn 2024		

AP6 Item 4.4	<u>Re-transplant into CUSUM calculation</u> – S Rushton to check paediatric limits in other organs	S Rushton	Autumn 2024		
AP7 Item 6.2	<u>DCD Hearts Regular Report</u> - DCD and DBD survival rates will be included together in future annual reports. DCD will also be reported separately. S Rushton to consider alterations to regular DCD heart report	S Rushton	Autumn 2024		
AP7 Item 7.1	<u>CTAG Patient Report</u> - R Burns highlighted concerns the Patient Group has regarding the proposed single adult cardiothoracic transplant tariff. J Parmar and R Venkateswaran to add their signatures to a letter to NHSE	J Parmar / R Venkateswaran	Autumn 2024		
AP8 Item 7.2	<u>Osteoporosis in the Cardiothoracic Transplant Population</u> - R Burns gave a presentation regarding osteoporosis in CT transplant population which has arisen due to patient concerns regarding delayed diagnosis and fragility fractures. Papworth will audit 24-25 patients and S Pettit agreed to present this at the CTAG Hearts autumn meeting	S Pettit	Autumn 2024		
AP9 Item 9.2	<u>Adjudication Panel</u> – a) S Rushton to consider incorporating outcomes of patients who are registered through the adjudication panel in future reports. It was also noted that FRM4352 may be out of date with respect to exclusion criteria and the bullet points need review. b) R Venkateswaran to coordinate clarifying bullet points on urgent/super-urgent form (FRM4352)	A) S Rushton B) R Venkateswaran	Autumn 2024		
AP10 Item 10.2	<u>Survival from Listing</u> - S Rushton to check how many patients have been excluded and explore survival from listing for paediatrics.	S Rushton	Autumn 2024		