

NHS BLOOD AND TRANSPLANT ORGAN DONATION AND TRANSPLANTATION DIRECTORATE

Role of the Chairs of Solid Organ Advisory Groups

The Chairs play a key role in providing leadership and professional input in solid organ transplantation to NHSBT and the wider donation and transplantation community.

1. Chair:
 - The Advisory Group
 - Core Group
2. Attend:
 - The Advisory Group Chairs Committee meetings,
 - The Transplant Policy Review Committee
 - The Annual meeting with patients and patient groups
 - The Clinical Retrieval Group (or nominate a representative)
3. Advise NHSBT on:
 - Matters affecting organ donation and transplantation
 - Governance issues as requested
 - Ad hoc matters as appropriate
 - Responses to CUSUM signals
4. Work with Chairs of other Solid Organ Advisory Groups as appropriate
5. Meet regularly with the Associate Medical Director (AMD) to agree key objectives.
6. The terms of reference of the Advisory Groups are outlined in the Review of the Solid Organ Advisory Groups. Therefore, the roles of the Chair will include agreement with the AMD on the work plan of the Advisory Group ensuring the key objectives are met; helping to support peer review; ensuring regular review of policies, regular review of outcomes; supporting research and development, innovation and service improvement.

Person Specification for Chairs of Solid Organ Advisory Groups

The Chair will:

1. Be currently active in the relevant field of solid organ transplantation
2. Have a knowledge of donation and transplantation both in the UK and internationally
3. Be registered with the General Medical Council
4. Have a substantive or honorary Clinical Contract at Consultant status with a hospital/Trust/Board within the UK
5. Have at least 5 years experience in organ transplantation at Consultant level (or equivalent)
6. Have the support of the clinicians and scientists in the relevant field of transplantation
7. Have support from his/her employer to devote the necessary time to act as Chair
8. Have the ability to devote sufficient time to fulfil the role.