Join the NHS Organ Donor Register

Join us

The NHS Organ Donor Register is a confidential and secure database that records the decision of everyone who does or does not want to donate their organs and/or tissue after they die. It’s also the database that medical staff will consult to see if a person has decided to be, or not to be, a donor.

Children can register themselves at any age. If a child is under the age of 12, a letter is sent to the parent/guardian. Aged 12 to 16, a letter is sent to the child advising them that they should seek approval from their parent/guardian. Over the age of 16 a general registration letter is sent to the young person.

Fill in and return the form attached, go online organdonation.nhs.uk or phone us 0300 123 23 23

Let’s talk about it

Don’t forget to talk about the decision you’ve made with other members of your family. It’s a conversation that could help save lives.

Attached to this form are two donor cards to share with your family. When you register, providing you haven’t previously registered, you will be sent a card with your name on it, along with a letter confirming your registration.

Consent and Authorisation for donation

In England, Wales and Northern Ireland, parental consent is required at the time of donation until the age of 18 years. In Scotland self-authorisation can be given from the age of 12 years.

The NHS Organ Donor Register

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Organ Donation for Children and Young People

Join us
Please register my details on the NHS Organ Donor Register

*indicates that a field must be completed.

My name and address

Title

First Name*

Last Name*

Preferred Name

Date of Birth* / / Male ☐ Female ☐ Other ☐

Address*

| | Postcode* |

Telephone

Mobile

Email

My decision

I want to donate: (Please tick the boxes that apply)

A. any of my organs and tissue

B. my kidneys ☐ heart ☐ liver ☐ small bowel ☐

corneas ☐ lung ☐ pancreas ☐ tissue ☐

for transplantation after my death.

Signature

Date

My ethnic origin

There’s a better chance of getting a closer match and a successful transplant if the donor and recipient are from the same ethnic group. Please tick the ethnic group which best describes you.

White: British ☐ Irish ☐ Other ☐

Mixed: White/Black Caribbean ☐ White/Asian ☐

White/Black African ☐ Other ☐

Asian or Asian British: Indian ☐ Pakistani ☐

Bangladeshi ☐ Other ☐

Black or Black British: Caribbean ☐ African ☐ Other ☐

Other ethnic categories: Chinese ☐ Other ☐

Not Stated: ☐

Data protection and privacy assurance.

By completing and signing this form you are giving consent for your details to be held on the NHS Organ Donor Register. All information provided to NHS Blood and Transplant is used in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation and all other relevant privacy and data protection laws.

You can withdraw your consent at any time and your details will be removed from the register, to do this or find out more about your privacy rights please visit our website www.nhsbt.nhs.uk or call us on 0300 123 23 23.

If you wish to amend or withdraw your record on the NHS Organ Donor Register you can do so by calling the Organ Donor Line on 0300 123 23 23, visiting www.organdonation.nhs.uk or writing to us at the address overleaf.

If you live in Wales and do not have a registered organ donation decision, your consent may be deemed to have been given.

I have joined the millions of people registered as an organ and/or tissue donor who bring hope to those in need.

To register visit organdonation.nhs.uk or call 0300 123 23 23.

I confirm I have had a conversation with my family so that they know I want them to support my organ donation decision.

Children and Young People Can Save Lives Too

Did you know that anyone, including children and young people, can join the NHS Organ Donor Register to save and improve lives?

There are currently around 6,400 people waiting for a transplant and they are of all ages, including children. On average three people a day die in need of a transplant because there are not enough organs available.

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“They all wanted to help so badly and told me that if they ever don’t need their hearts they would like to give them to other children. That’s when we had the discussion about organ donation and they explained they wanted to join the register.’ Liberty, Kai, and Dylan, aged 6, 5 and 4, have all joined the NHS Organ Donor Register.

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