



Blood and Transplant

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Dear Mr Bhanot

I was delighted that Ms Alpana Rathor was able to join us on behalf of UK Hindu Council at our Saving and Improving Lives event in July and I hope that she found the day informative and useful. At this event we published our Annual Review for 2011-12, and this information is available online for you and your colleagues.

Please visit www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/annualreview where the document can also be downloaded.

As I highlighted on the day, I am particularly proud of our efforts to reduce the blood price so that money saved by the NHS can be invested directly in patient care.

Last year we achieved a 34.4% increase in deceased organ donation, keeping us on track to meet the 50% growth target for deceased donation set by the organ donation task force.

I am also delighted that our work in stem cells continues to develop towards delivering the Stem Cell Forum recommendations, through our partnership with Anthony Nolan, and with the opening of our sixth cord blood collection unit.

As we strive towards achieving our ambition of being the best service of our type in the world, our current strategic plan focuses on continuing to modernise blood donor management and more integrated management of blood stocks from donor to patient by working with hospital blood banks. We will further improve our specialist therapy and diagnostic services and deliver the 50% target for deceased Organ Donations.

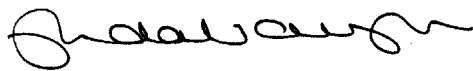
At the afternoon workshop, to inform the strategy for saving more lives through organ donation and transplantation post 2013, we promised to share feedback from the session, which is attached. If your organisation would like to input further we have an online questionnaire to record more responses.

This detailed questionnaire should take between 15-30 minutes to complete fully. It can be found at:

http://www.organdonation.nhs.uk/ukt/newsroom/statements_and_stances/statements_and_stances.asp.

The survey will be available upto 24 September and includes a document with key information to help inform responses. Please do share this link with anyone you feel may be interested.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lynda Hamlyn', written in a cursive style.

Lynda Hamlyn
Chief Executive