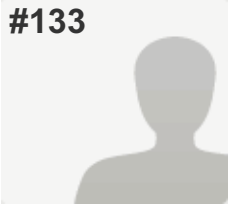


Proposed Organ and Tissue Donation (Scotland) Bill

#133



INCOMPLETE

Collector: New Web Link (Web Link)

Started: Thursday, August 14, 2014 8:28:50 AM

Last Modified: Thursday, August 14, 2014 8:39:59 AM

Time Spent: 00:11:09

IP Address: 176.24.217.13

PAGE 2: Proposed Organ and Tissue Donation (Scotland) Bill Consultation

Q1: The overarching purpose of my proposal is to move from the current opt-in system to a soft opt-out system of organ donation. Do you support this move? Please indicate "yes/no/undecided" and explain the reasons for your response.

Yes,

Please give your reasons for your response: will increase donations and allow for those people who back donation of their organs but don't get around to registering.

Q2: How essential is it to change the law (from an opt-in to a soft opt-out system) in order to achieve the intended benefits (increased transplant rates, reduced waiting lists)? Are there other (non-legislative) measures that could achieve similar outcomes without the need for legislation?

people are literally dying on waiting lists so we should do everything possible. Education campaigns can help but legislation is going to be wider, quicker and more effective.

Q3: I believe the role of the family should be limited to being consulted on whether they are aware of any (unregistered) objection by the deceased rather than asking for their consent. Do you agree? Please indicate "yes/no/undecided" and explain the reasons for your response.

Yes

Q4: Do you think an individual should be able to appoint a proxy to the make the final decision regarding transplantation on their behalf? Please indicate "yes/no/undecided" and explain the reasons for your response.

Yes,

Please give reasons for your response: where we think our families may object because of religious/moral reasons it makes it easier if we make sure a friend/nominated person can validate our own views.

Q5: My proposal is that only adults should be automatically opted-in to be a donor. Younger persons would have to register to be a donor, by themselves or with parental consent as they currently do. This approach is I believe the best way to safeguard children and young people. Do you agree? Please indicate "yes/no/undecided" and explain the reasons for your response.

Yes

Q6: Do you agree the age limit for an adult should be set at 16 years old? Please indicate "yes/no/undecided" and explain the reasons for your response.

Yes

Proposed Organ and Tissue Donation (Scotland) Bill

Q7: Do you agree the soft opt-out system should apply to people who have been resident in Scotland for a minimum period of 1 year prior to their death? Please indicate “yes/no/undecided” and explain the reasons for your response.

Undecided,

Please give reasons for your response: citizens - would be wary of legislating on asylum seekers or others against their wishes when they do not have permanent right to remain.

Q8: If you answered no to the above how long, if any, should this period of residency last before they become subject to the soft opt-out system? Would this residency need to be for a continuous period?

Respondent skipped this question

Q9: Do you think 6 months is a long enough period to run a campaign prior to change over?

yes

Q10: What is your assessment of the likely financial implications (if any) of the proposed Bill to you or your organisation? What (if any) other significant financial implications are likely to arise?

beneficial if people can get transplants it can only lower costs of long term continuing care while of waiting lists currently. But even if there were additional costs this should not trump the benefit to society in lives saved.

Q11: Is the proposed Bill likely to have any substantial positive or negative implications for equality? If it is likely to have a substantial negative implication, how might this be minimised or avoided?

i think the necessary engagement of all communities on such an important health issue will be beneficial in improving communication between service providers and minority communities and potentially improve take up of wider services.

Q12: Do you have any other comments on or suggestions relevant to the proposal?

Wales has led on this, Scotland should not delay.

PAGE 3: Contact Details

Q13: If you wish your response, or any part of it, to be treated as anonymous and/or confidential, please check the appropriate box. If not, then please go to question 14.

Respondent skipped this question

Q14: Thank you for completing this survey. Please provide your name and contact details below.

Respondent skipped this question