

Health and Social Care Committee
Human Transplantation (Wales) Bill
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Welsh Assembly

Dear Sir,

We wish to register our concern about the proposed move to 'presumed consent' legislation being brought before the Welsh Assembly.

It seems odd that politicians should engage in legislation about presumed consent when the medical profession are not yet able to agree on death, as in brain stem death or whole brain death or persistent vegetative state, especially when patients are still showing, on occasion that they are able to recover or show improvement when suffering from PVS or some similar illness.

Surely a more proactive push of the donor card system would be more likely to increase levels of consenting donors, especially when research has shown that presumed consent does not significantly increase the amount of organs for transplant.

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