STATES OF JERSEY



ORGAN DONATION MEMORIAL (P.25/2025) – CHILDREN'S RIGHTS IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Presented to the States on 25th March 2025 by Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter

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PART 1: SCREENING

Name and title of Duty Bearer:	Deputy Lucy Stephenson
Type of Duty Bearer:	
(Minister, Elected Member or States	Elected Member
Assembly Body)	
Assessment completed by (if not	
completed by duty bearer):	
Date:	25.03.25

- 1) Name and brief description of the proposed decision
 The subject of your CRIA may be a proposed law, policy or proposition and in
 accordance with the Law is referred to in this template as the 'decision'
 - What is the problem or issue the decision is trying to address?
 - Do children experience this problem differently from adults?

To create a permanent public memorial to organ donation in Jersey, as part of the new hospital project's planning commitments to the provision of public art. Children do not experience organ donation any differently to adults and can be both donors and recipients. However, their experience of grief and remembering loved ones may be different to adults and this should be taken into account when developing any memorial, should the proposition be adopted.

2) Which groups of children and young people are likely to be affected? Groups of children could include early years, primary or secondary education; young adults; children with additional learning needs; disabled children; children living in poverty; children from particular ethnic backgrounds; migrants; refugees; care experienced children and LGBTQ+ children

All children can be both donors and transplant recipients or may have loved ones who are or have been. Conversations around death and personal wishes, including organ donation, are more likely to be experienced by older children and young people than the very young.

Jersey has an 'opt out' system for organ donation, meaning all adults are presumed to have consented to be donors unless they have specified otherwise. The law only applies to over 18s. Parents and guardians can still register their children and children can register themselves on the NHS Organ Donor Register, which covers Jersey, with their parent or guardian's agreement.

- 3) What is the likely impact of the proposed decision on children and on their rights?
 - Identify any potential positive OR negative impacts and include indirect impacts on children and their rights as described in the UNCRC
 - Will different groups of children be affected differently by this decision?

Access to quality healthcare and services is a recognised right and it could be argued that the promotion of organ donation, including via a local public memorial, encourages more people to be potential donors and therefore allows for more transplants in future. Children also have a right to access art and culture, which a memorial would contribute towards. Ensuring any such memorial were publicly accessible includes an assumption that it would also be child friendly and appropriate for all ages.

- 4) Is a full Children's Rights Impact Assessment required?
 If you have identified impacts on children and their rights, a full CRIA should be completed. If no impacts are identified then a Full CRIA is not required, but please explain your rationale and how you reached this conclusion
- No. There are no major impacts on children and their rights identified.