

Kidney Donation Questionnaire

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To enhance the reliability of the data, I would like to invite the member in your household who lives here 5 days a week and who has the soonest next birthday. Can I speak to him or her please?

1. Yes (Can you ask him or her to pick up the phone please, go to Q.1a)
2. He/she is not here (I can call again tomorrow. Thank you)
3. He/she is not free now (I can call again tomorrow. Thank you)
4. He/she refuses to be interviewed (Thanks)

Repeat the following introduction if the one with soonest next birthday is different from the informant.

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I. Demographic

D1a. Are you a permanent Hong Kong resident?

1. Yes
2. No

D.1 Record/ask the gender.

1. Female
2. Male

D.2 What is your age range?

1. 18-24
2. 25-34
3. 35-44
4. 45-54
5. 55-64

D.3 Do you have a part-time/ full-time job now?

1. Yes
2. No

Part 2

Skip part II if Q.2 is answered 2/3/4.

5. Skip if the answer to Q.1 is 1.

Can you **name one method** to register in Hong Kong as a kidney donor after death?

1. Correct Answer (register on web/register by post/register by fax/filling out a donor card)
2. Wrong answer
3. Don't know

6. Skip if Q.5 is answered 2/3

Do you agree that it is convenient to register as a kidney donor in Hong Kong?

1. Agree
2. Agree slightly
3. Unsure
4. Disagree slightly
5. Disagree

7. **Do you believe** that the medical team will try as hard to save you if you register as a donor?

1. Definitely
2. Likely
3. Unsure
4. Not likely
5. Definitely not

8. Do you think that your family will **follow your wish** if you register as a donor?

1. Definitely
2. Likely
3. Unsure
4. Not likely
5. Definitely not

Part 3

9. Assume that your closest relative (parents/siblings/spouse/children) has **shared with you his/her views about donating his/her kidneys after death.** If he or she has made it clear to you that he/she wants to donate the kidneys, **would you consent to his or her kidneys** being used to save two lives in case he or she dies from a road traffic accident? (Neglect the opinion of all other family members)

1. Definitely
2. likely
3. Unsure
4. Not likely
5. Definitely not

10. Assume that your closest relative has registered his/her wish to donate the kidneys. However, **he/she has not previously made clear his/her wish to you.** In the event that he/she just died after a road traffic accident, **would you consent to his or her kidneys** being used to save two lives? (Neglect the opinion of all other family members.)

1. Definitely
2. likely
3. Unsure
4. Not likely
5. Definitely not

11. Assume that your closest relative has **NOT registered** his/her wish to donate the kidneys. Furthermore, he/she has **not previously made clear his/her wish to you.** In the event that he/she just died after a road traffic accident, **would you consent to his or her kidneys** being used to save two lives?

1. Definitely
2. likely
3. Unsure
4. Not likely
5. Definitely not

Part 4

The government is thinking of a new policy to expand the donor pool in order to ease the shortage of kidney donors and to save more lives. With this new policy, the donor registration system **will cease to run**. One who wishes to be a donor no longer needs to register as a donor. At the same time, an 'opt out' registration will be introduced. **One who does not wish to be a donor has to register the decision to 'opt out'**. One who does not opt out will be treated as having consented to donation and the kidneys may be used after death subject to family's consent.

(If Q2 code 6, skip to Q15)

12. Assume that presumed consent is now implemented.

- A. If the answer to Q.1 is 1 or Q.2 is 1. Would you **still like** your family members to donate your kidneys in the event that you die in a road traffic accident?
- B. If the answer to Q.2 is 2, would you **change your mind** and like your family members to donate your kidneys in the event that you die in a road traffic accident?
- C. If the answer to Q.2 is 3/4, would you **make up your mind** and like your family members to donate your kidneys in the event that you die in a road traffic accident?

1. Yes 2. No 3. Unsure 4. I don't care 5. Don't want to think about it

13. Skip if Q.12 is answered 1.

Assume that presumed consent is now implemented in order to help ease the shortage of kidneys and save more lives. If you do not opt out, your kidneys may be used after death subject to family's consent. You may from today on register your decision to 'opt out' in any post office, on the internet, or by filling out a refusal card. Would you 'opt out'?

1. Definitely 2. likely 3. Unsure 4. Not likely 5. Definitely no

14. Skip if Q.3 is answered 1, or the answer to Q.12 is 3/4.

Presumed consent is implemented. There is **no more donor registration system. Only an opt out system exists.**

- A. If Q.4 is unanswered, would you **plan to disclose** your wish to your closest relative(s)?
- B. If Q.4 is answered 1, would you **still plan to disclose** your wish to your closest relative(s)?
- C. If Q.4 is answered 2, would you **change your mind and plan to disclose your wish** to your closest relative(s)?

1. Definitely 2. likely 3. Unsure 4. Not likely 5. Definitely not

15. Assume that presumed consent **has been implemented for a while**, and your closest relative just died after a road traffic accident. He/she has not previously made clear his/her wish to you. And he or she has NOT opted out. In other words, the law now presumes that he/she has consented to donating the kidneys after death. But the doctor still needs your consent. **Would you consent** to his or her kidneys being used to save two lives?

- A. 1. Definitely 2. likely 3. Unsure 4. Not likely 5. Definitely not

If (a) is answered 1/2, **would you still consent** to his or her kidneys being used if

- B. The government rewards you by paying for the funeral expense of your loved one subject to a **maximum of HKD50,000**?

1. Definitely 2. likely 3. Unsure 4. Not likely 5. Definitely not

- C. The government rewards any four members of your family free life-long free government medical services and free consultation and basic medications with designated groups of private general practitioners and specialists?

1. Definitely 2. likely 3. Unsure 4. Not likely 5. Definitely not

If 15(a) is answered 3/4/5, **would you reconsider and consent** to his or her kidneys being used if

- D. The government helps you pay for the funeral expense of your loved one subject to a **maximum of HKD50,000**?

1. Definitely 2. likely 3. Unsure 4. Not likely 5. Definitely not

- E. The government rewards any four members of your family free life-long free government medical services and free consultation and basic medications with designated groups of private general practitioners and specialists?

1. Definitely 2. likely 3. Unsure 4. Not likely 5. Definitely not

VI. Demographics

D.7 What is your education level?

1. Local Hong Kong Chinese
2. Mainland
3. Asian (other than Hong Kong and Mainland China)
4. Europe or America
5. Others

D.8 What is your nationality?

1. Local Hong Kong Chinese
2. Mainland Chinese
3. Asian (other than Hong Kong and mainland China)
4. Europe or America
5. Others

D.9 What is your religious belief?

1. Protestant
2. Catholic
3. Muslist
4. Buddhist
5. Taoist
6. Others
7. None

Please record the language of this questionnaire.

1. Cantonese
2. Mandarin
3. English