

National Donation Day



In 2014 National Hindu Students' Forum (UK) launched its' National Donation Day Campaign. This is an exciting campaign that was launched in 2012 in association with the NHS as National Blood Donation Day. It evolved into National Donation Day, to incorporate bone marrow donation, organ donation as well as blood donation. The aim was to raise awareness of the issues as well as get as many people either signed up to the registers or to actually take part in donating.

There are many reasons for why National Donation Day is such an integral and vital campaign. For example, by simply donating blood once it is possible to save the lives of 3 adults or 7 babies. Currently in

the UK there is a serious shortage of blood supplies – especially of the B- and O- blood types. In the UK every 20 minutes someone is told they suffer from blood cancer. Almost 25,000 people per year are diagnosed with blood cancer in the UK alone. The UK population of Asians is only 6%, meaning that only these 6% can help save an Asian patient's life. All it takes is for a healthy 16-30 year old to donate and save the life of a human being. Patients from the Black, Asian and some Ethnic Minority (BAME) group tend to suffer more from organ damaging illnesses – meaning that they are more likely to need an organ transplant however; only 24% of the BAME community is signed up.

National Donation Day is a day/week or even a month if you like where as many members of NHSF (UK) throughout the country try and get involved with donating.



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