**Discussion Paper: Human Tissue Act 1983 Statutory Review**

**Comment Template**

The Office of the Chief Health Officer would appreciate your feedback on the questions raised in the **Discussion Paper: Human Tissue Act 1983 Statutory Review.**

The comment template is set out in sections which address each of the questions posed in the Discussion Paper.

Please add more lines as required.

Feedback from NSW Health Pillars, Local Health Districts and Specialty Networks must be endorsed by the relevant Chief Executive.

Submissions should be made to:

Human Tissue Act 1983 Statutory Review

Office of the Chief Health Officer

NSW Ministry of Health

Locked Mail Bag 961

NORTH SYDNEY NSW 2059

Submissions may also be made via email to [organ@doh.health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:organ@doh.health.nsw.gov.au) and marked “Human Tissue Act 1983 Statutory Review” as the subject title.

Submissions must be received by 3 August 2018**.**

Individuals and organisations should be aware that generally any submissions received may be made publically available under the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009. The Ministry of Health, in considering the submissions received may also circulate submissions for further comment to other interested parties or publish all, or parts, of the submissions. If you wish your submission (or any part of it) to remain confidential (subject to the Government Information (Public Access) Act), this should be clearly stated on the submission.

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**Question 1: Have the amendments to sections 23, 24 and 27 assisted in increasing the rates of organ donation?**

| **Comments / Recommendations** |
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**Question 2: Are there any other strategies that should be considered to assist in raising awareness and improving the organ donation rates in NSW?**

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**Question 3: Does s27A appropriately assist with improving communications with family members when a family objects to organ donation despite the deceased consenting while alive?**

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**Question 4: Are additional measures required to respond to NSW residents travelling overseas to buy organs?**

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**5) Should the Act be amended to allow the Coroner to give consent prior to death for organ donation (with the consent to only be acted upon after death)?**

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**6) Should the Act be amended to include a power to include or exclude certain bodily materials from regulation by the Act?**

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