

Health and Social Care Committee  
Human Transplantation (Wales) Bill  
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My husband and I would like to say 'NO' to this draft bill of the Human Transplantation (Wales) Bill. Presumed consent really equals no consent.

There needs to be a public information programme which reaches all, including those on the margins of society.

Such a bill makes the whole concept of 'presumed' or 'deemed' consent ethnically problematic. It would be expensive to administer.

The Bill, as it stands, does not allow for families to object or opt out. And there would be very many distressed relatives who have no legal right to stop removal of organs when no consent was given by the deceased.

If this Bill is to become legal it is essential that the views of surviving family members are respected within the legislation itself. The National Assembly for Wales should amend the Welsh Government's Bill to make this commitment clear.

Yours sincerely,

Ian and Rachel Bevington