

BRIEFING FOR: **BRENDAN O'HARA MP**

Anthony Nolan saves and improves the lives of people with blood cancer. We do this by providing patients with matching donors from our stem cell donor register, supporting patients and their families throughout their transplant journey, and conducting world-class research into stem cell matching and transplants.

## ARGYLL AND BUTE

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174

LIFESAVERS ADDED TO THE REGISTER IN THE LAST YEAR

POTENTIAL LIFESAVERS ON THE STEM CELL REGISTER

### RANKING

20

OUT OF 650  
CONSTITUENCIES

*These incredible individuals give blood cancer patients a second chance of life - but too often a donor isn't available or can't be found quickly enough. We need more young men aged 16-30, and more people from black, Asian and ethnic minority backgrounds to sign up.*

*Top 25 in the UK, what a fantastic achievement! Are you up for the challenge of claiming the top spot next year?*

### OUR RECRUITMENT IS FOCUSED ON FINDING PATIENTS THE BEST POSSIBLE MATCH

34

AVERAGE AGE

*Young male donors are much more likely to be selected by transplant centres, and Anthony Nolan's research has shown that the younger the donor, the better the patient's chance of survival.*

40%

MALE

### WANT TO SPREAD THE WORD IN YOUR CONSTITUENCY?

Here are **three simple actions** that you can take today:

- Encourage more people aged 16-30 to join the stem cell donor register by tweeting using @AnthonyNolan and anthohnolan.org/join.
- Raise awareness of the need for more stem cell donors by tabling a PQ or speaking in a debate.
- Join the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Stem Cell Transplantation.

**CONTACT** We'd love to work with you to save the lives of people with blood cancer. For more information, simply email [campaigns@anthohnolan.org](mailto:campaigns@anthohnolan.org) or call 0207 284 8299.

SEPTEMBER  
BLOOD CANCER  
AWARENESS MONTH