

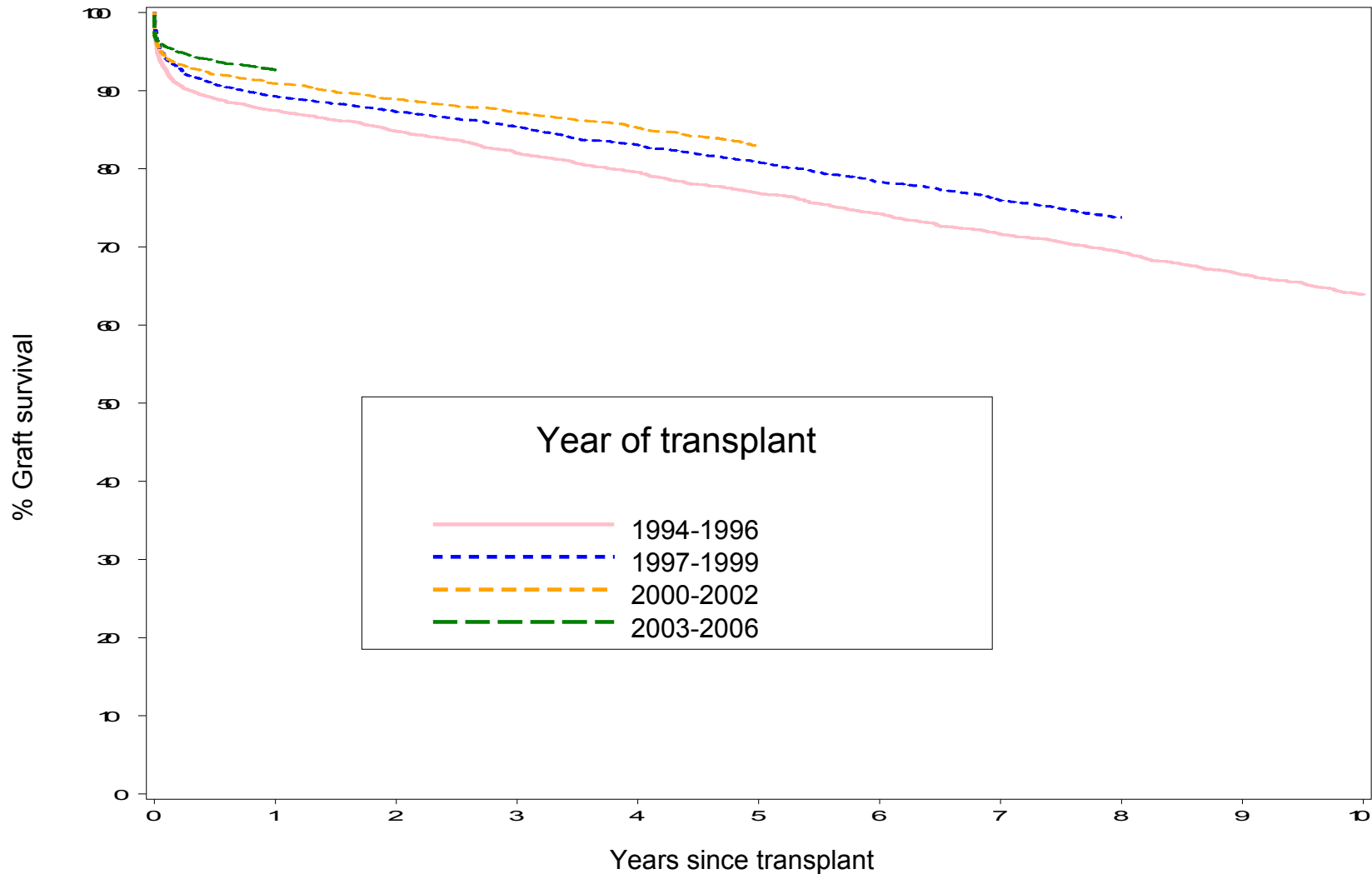
Organ Donation – How we can Solve the Shortage?

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BACCN Conference. Belfast, 2009

Transplants work!

Survival after kidney Transplantation



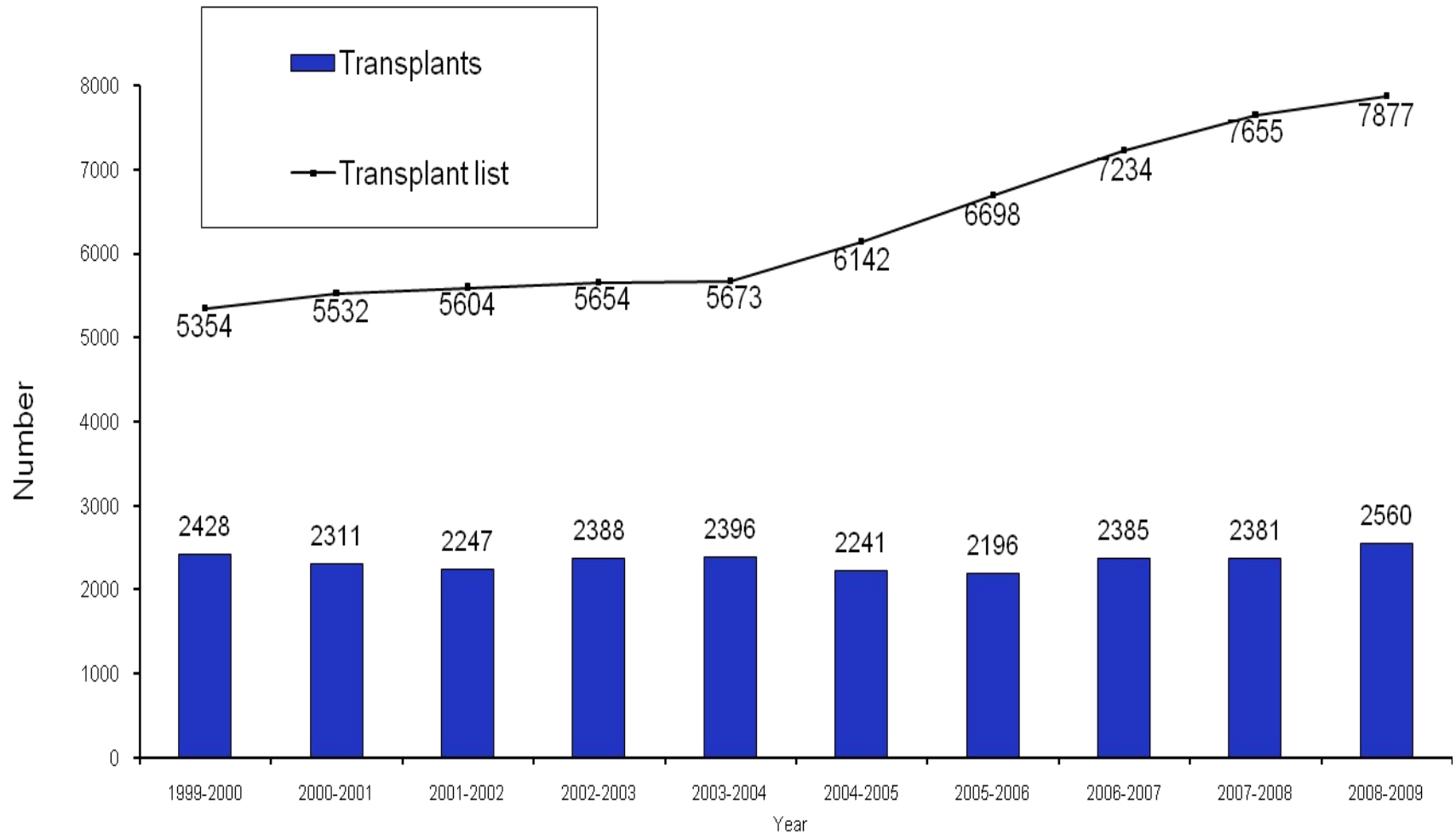


“Well goodbye and good luck with your new . . . shit”



“Oh my God... it's come off!”

Patients waiting, and transplants from deceased donors: UK



What's the difficulty?

- Are we committed to helping someone else's patients?
- What are the obstacles that stop us?

A doctor went to work today.....
and three people died

He never met the people who died

His employers did not notice

He was not censured

Somebody else's patients
Somebody else's problem

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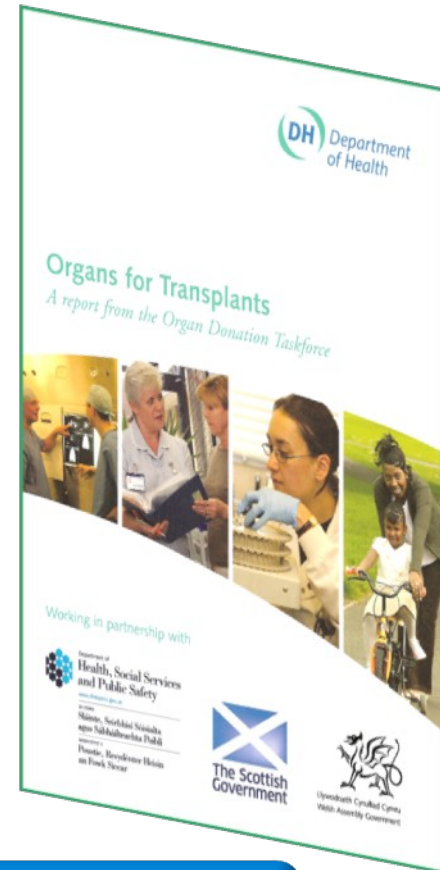
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Why is Donation so Difficult?

- Uncommon
- Poorly understood
- Disruptive to services
 - ICU
 - emergency medicine
 - operating theatre
- No observable benefit
- Uncertainty about legal and ethical issues
- Potential for conflict

Organ Donation Taskforce

- Made 14 recommendations
- Clarified roles
 - Acute hospital Trusts
 - Departments of Health/NHS
- Review of co-ordination & retrieval
- Training
- Legal and ethical issues
- Public promotion



Target – 50% increase in donation over 5 years

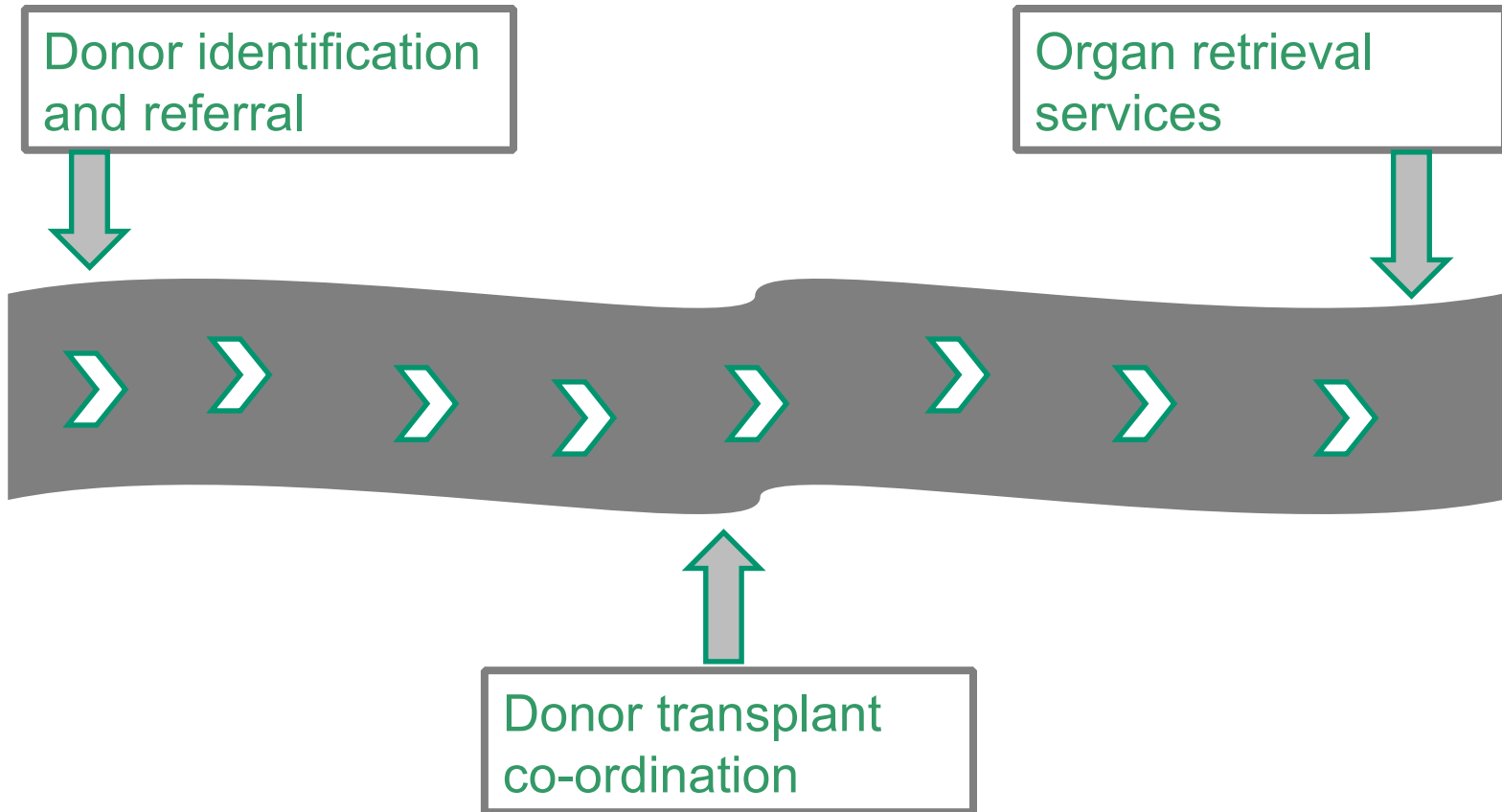
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Key findings

- Local activity but a national problem
 - uncommon
 - challenging
- Real improvements are possible
- Requires leadership and boldness rather than money

We need a local response to solve a national problem

Key Points on the Pathway



A UK Model for Donation

NHSBT

National ODO
Effective co-ordination and retrieval
Education, training and audit
Public engagement

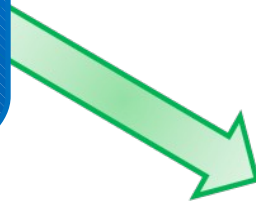
Acute Hospital Trusts

Department of Health

Funding
Resolution of ethical and legal issues
Performance Management
Training
Public recognition

More donors

Clinical leads
Embedded co-ordinators
Donation committees



Support for the Collaborative

Central training and development
Sound ethical and legal framework



Collaborative of critical care and donor transplant co-ordination



Trust Donation Committee
Adequate resource
Trust executive support



Making Donation Core Business

Establish the Team

- Critical Care nursing and medical staff
 - Clinical lead for organ donation
 - Donor transplant co-ordinator
- Non clinical champion
- Donation committee



Embedded DTC

- Honorary Contract
 - IT, security access, parking
 - library, local mandatory training
 - local ID badge
- Identified work station
 - printing / photocopying
- Fixed telephone access
- Secure storage facility
- Postal address



Most of all, DTCs need to become part of the team

What can **you** do next?

- Join the ODR – and be proud of it!
 - **0300 123 23 23**
- Join the Wall of Life
 - www.walloflife.org.uk
- Embrace your CLOD
- Welcome your DTC
- NEVER feel inhibited to discuss donation
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Appoint a Clinical Lead for Organ Donation (CLOD)

- Consultant in Critical Care or Emergency Medicine



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Clinical Lead for Organ Donation
Bristol

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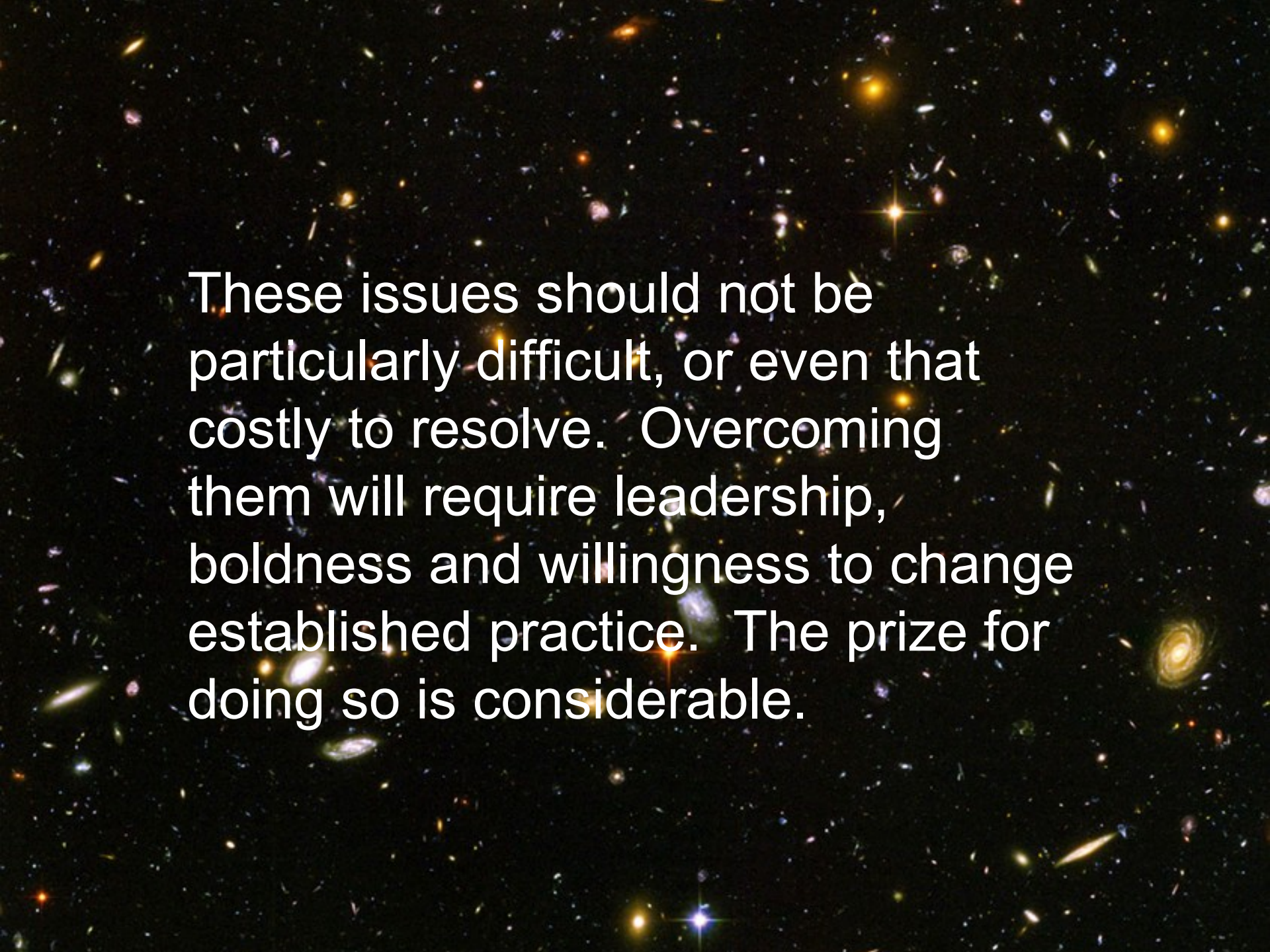
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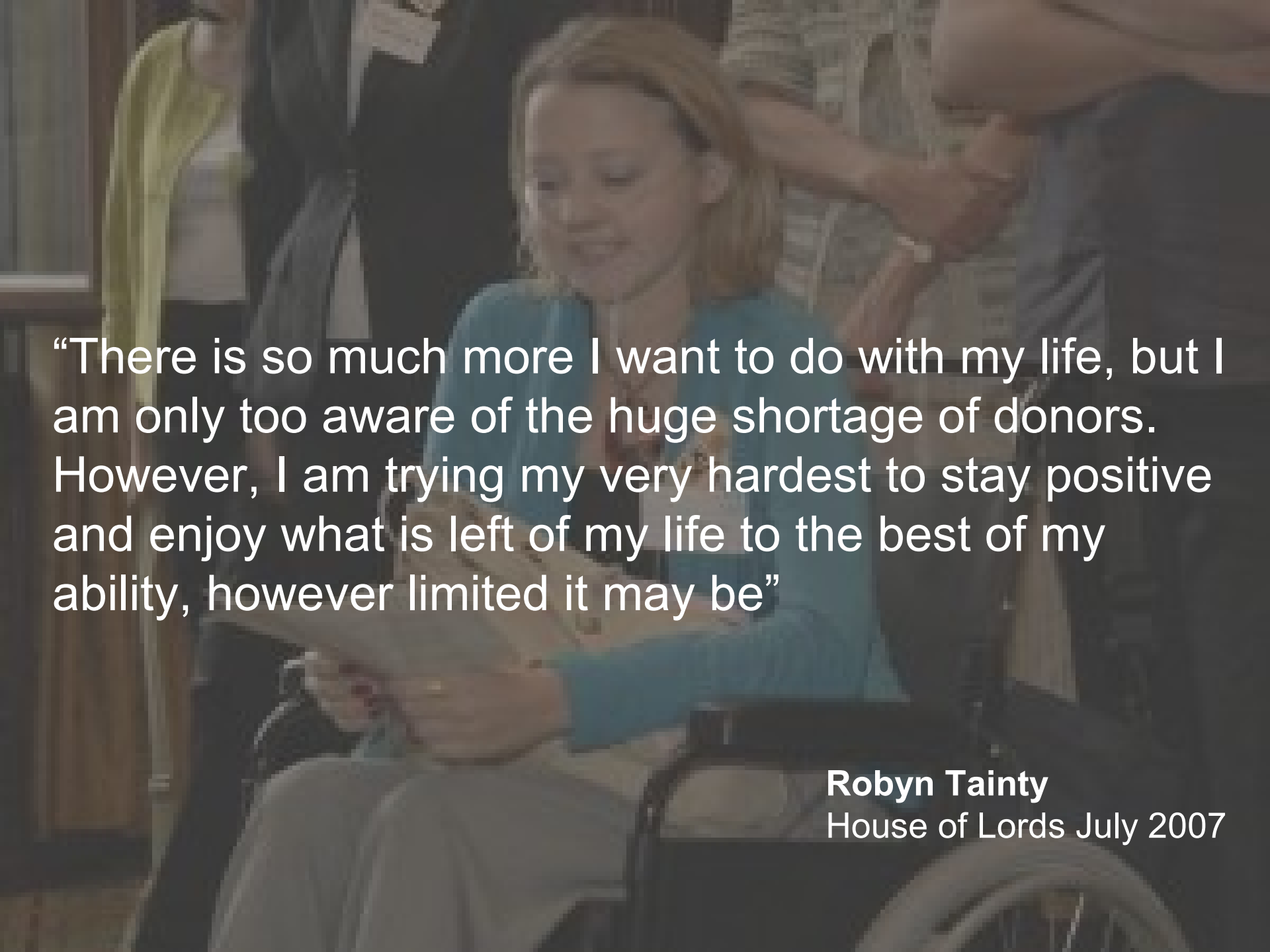
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The background of the slide is a rich field of galaxies, including spiral, elliptical, and irregular shapes, scattered across a dark cosmic space. The galaxies are illuminated in various colors, primarily yellows, oranges, and blues, with some appearing as bright, multi-pointed stars. The overall effect is a sense of vastness and depth in the universe.

These issues should not be particularly difficult, or even that costly to resolve. Overcoming them will require leadership, boldness and willingness to change established practice. The prize for doing so is considerable.



Robyn Tainty
House of Lords July 2007

A photograph of a woman in a wheelchair, wearing a blue top, being supported by several people. The scene is dimly lit, and the image has a dark overlay. The woman is looking down, and the people around her appear to be assisting her. The background is blurred, showing what might be a doorway or a window.

“There is so much more I want to do with my life, but I am only too aware of the huge shortage of donors. However, I am trying my very hardest to stay positive and enjoy what is left of my life to the best of my ability, however limited it may be”

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A photograph of a woman with blonde hair, wearing a blue cardigan and a necklace, sitting in a wheelchair. She is holding a large, crumpled paper bag. In the background, several other people are visible, some standing and some sitting, in what appears to be an indoor setting. The text is overlaid on the image.

**Do we care enough to help solve
someone else's problems?**

**Can we in all conscience not try to
do so?**

Robyn Tainty
House of Lords July 2007
Died September 2007



Thank You