

## Who we are

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The Irish Heart and Lung Transplant Association is a voluntary organisation which includes heart, lung(s), heart and lung transplant recipients, families and supporters.

The Association began providing support for patients soon after the first heart transplant operation in Ireland was successfully completed in the Mater Hospital in 1985.

As life saving transplant activity increased, the association began growing year by year. The association was renamed and formally relaunched under its present name in November 1998 by our patron, President Mary McAleese.

Prof. Freddie Wood FRCSI, former head of the National Heart and Lung Transplant Programme at the Mater Misericordiae University Hospital is the association's President. We are a member of the Irish Donor Network and are affiliated to the European Heart & Lung Transplant Federation.

We also work with the Irish Heart Foundation on matters of mutual interest, and we are certified by the Revenue Commissioners as a charity - No CHY 13628.

There are heart and lung transplant recipients on the committee and we are happy to receive your email or telephone calls to answer any queries or questions you might have.

As transplant recipients, we are uniquely placed to offer help and encouragement to anyone who needs to contact us. We have been through it all ourselves, and our advice and support is only a phone call away!

You can find our contact details, including email, fax and telephone numbers on the contacts page. Or if you prefer you can write to us using the address at the top of our page.