

LifeShare Of The Carolinas

ABOUT LIFESHARE:

- Federally designated organ procurement organization (OPO)
- Coordinates recovery and distribution of donated gifts for transplantation and medical research
- Educate the public about donation and the importance of registration
- Provides support for donor families during and after donation

FEDERAL REGULATORS:

- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS)
- Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
- Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)
- United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS)

CMS CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION: §482.45

- Hospital **must** notify their local OPO of all deaths **and imminent deaths** in a timely manner:
AdventHealth Hendersonville policies state **1 Hour**
- OPO **must** determine medical suitability
- All eligible families **must** be offered the opportunity to donate
- **Only a LifeShare designated requestor trained or approved by the OPO shall approach the family for donation**

TRANSPLANT FACTS:

- **3,049** North Carolinians waiting for a life-saving transplant
- **114,751** Americans waiting for a life-saving transplant
- Another person is added to the list every **10** minutes
- **22** people die each day waiting for an organ

ONE DONOR CAN SAVE UP TO 8 LIVES BY DONATING:

Lungs	Heart	Kidneys
Liver	Intestine	Pancreas

ONE TISSUE DONOR CAN HEAL 80 PEOPLE

Common Uses Include:

- **Bone, Tendons and Ligaments** Fractures, Bone disease, Hernia repair, Sports injuries
- **Heart Valves** Congenital heart disease, Valvular heart disease
- **Blood Vessels** Coronary artery bypass surgery, Peripheral vascular disease
- **Skin** Burns, Reconstructive surgery after mastectomy
- **Eyes** Corneal blindness, Corneal scarring, Corneal thinning

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DONATION TYPES:

Organ Donation

- Patient must be maintained on ventilator
- Organs matched anonymously to recipients
- Organs transplanted immediately after recovery

Tissue Donation

- Must occur within 24 hours of death
- Little or no matching to recipients
- Tissues can be preserved for later use

Discretion and sensitivity must be demonstrated with respect to the circumstances, views, and beliefs of the families of potential donors.

CLINICAL TRIGGERS:

Brain Death:

- Severe brain injury
- Meets brain death criteria as diagnosed by clinical neurological assessment
- Patient remains on ventilator until organ recovery

Donation after cardiac death (DCD):

- Severe brain injury
- Does not meet brain death criteria
- No hope for meaningful recovery
- Family accepts prognosis and transition to comfort care
- Transition to comfort care takes place in the OR
- Patient must die within 1 hour to donate

ORGAN DONATION: Hospital **must** call LifeShare WITHIN ONE HOUR when:

- Patient is ventilated with neurological injury
- Patient has a GCS of 5 or less

Hospital **must** call LifeShare *AGAIN* at the following times:

- Prior to brain death testing
- If a DNR or withdrawal of care is considered
- **If a family member asks about donation**
- If there are significant clinical changes

TISSUE DONATION: Hospital **must** call LifeShare WITHIN ONE HOUR to report all deceased patients.

- All patients who die of cardiac death – *even those previously referred to LifeShare*
- Patients who arrive at the hospital deceased

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NOTE: LifeShare May Discuss Donation with Family Over the Phone While They Are Still at the Hospital

THE DONATION PROCESS

