

# Identification of the Potential Organ Donor

## 1-800-252-2672

Contact Carolina Donor Services within at least one hour of a patient meeting all of the below criteria:

- Glasgow Coma Scale becomes 5 or less
- Vent Dependent
- Neurological insult/injury
- Grave Prognosis

Carolina Donor Services staff will call back to determine the options for organ donation and share the First Person Consent status.



If you are approached by the family about donation, thank them and tell them that you will have someone contact them.

## “The Effective Requesting Process” Guidelines

Step 1 - Effective support needs to be given to the family. This may include utilizing pastoral care, case managers, or other family services.

Step 2 - A timely referral is made to Carolina Donor Services

Step 3 - Review of the case with CDS and hospital staff to discuss a plan for how, when and by whom the donation discussion will be introduced or if it is too soon to discuss donation

Step 4 - Consistent message should always be given to the family and other individuals in the health care team about the grave prognosis.

**Verbiage to use when talking with the families that can answer their questions without mentioning donation:**

*“\_\_\_\_\_ is a family support coordinator who works with us and is here to help answer questions about what you should do next. When you are ready he/she will talk with you in the family consolation room.”*

## Donor Management Goals:

There is an increase in the number of organs transplanted per donor using the below ranges.

- MAP 60-100 mmHg
- CVP 4-10 mmHg
- UOP 0.5 - 3 ml/kg/hr
- Na <160
- Glucose  $\leq 150$
- pH 7.32 – 7.45
- SAO2  $\geq 95\%$
- # of Pressors  $\leq 1$  and low dose
  - Dopa  $\leq 10$  mcg/kg/min
  - Neo  $\leq 60$  mcg/min or
  - Norepi  $\leq 10$  mcg/kg/min

**REMEMBER:** Please do NOT approach family regarding organ donation without consulting with CDS staff.