

QUICK REFERENCE (2 SIDED)

Organ, Eye & Tissue Donation Referrals



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Hospitals are required by law to refer all deaths and imminent deaths for the evaluation of organ, eye and tissue donation.

TISSUE / EYE REFERRAL NON VENTED, CARDIAC DEATH

CALL 1-800-774-2729

Call within 1 HOUR of death

- You do NOT need to wait for physician pronouncement of death to make the referral call.
- Do not mention donation to the family. The donation agency will speak to the family only if donation is an option.

After the Call

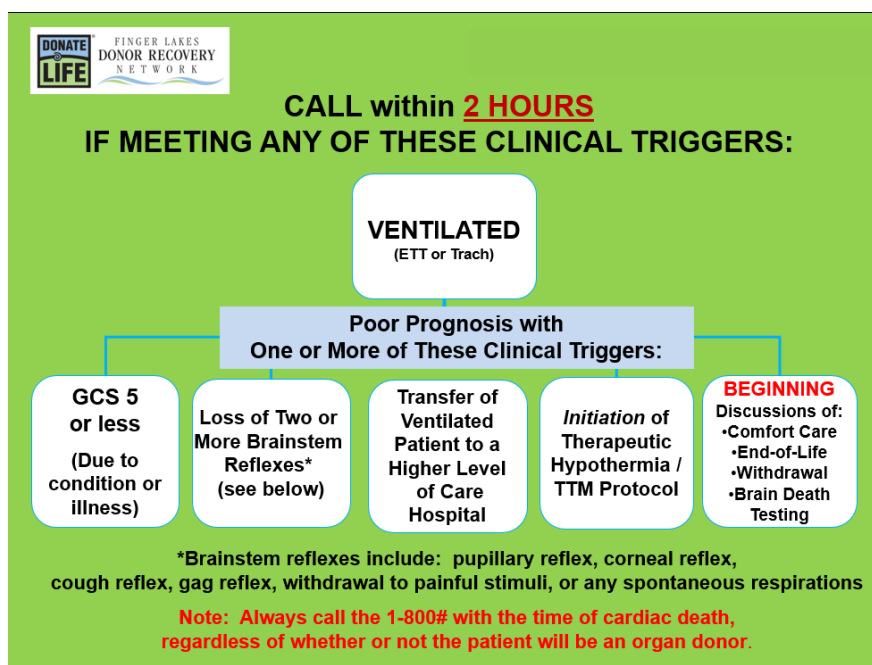
Please provide postmortem care for cornea/eye donation:

- Elevate patient's head using towel
- Close eyelids completely (paper tape if needed)
- Place ice pack* on the bridge of the nose (*put ice cubes in a non-sterile glove and tie off)
- Send the body to the morgue
- The donation agency will release the decedent after evaluation or donation

ORGAN REFERRAL VENTED PATIENT MEETING TRIGGERS

CALL 1-800-774-2729

CALL within 2 HOURS of meeting triggers



- You do not need to ask a doctor's permission to make the call
- Please do not discuss donation with the family.
- FLDRN does not approach families about donation if there are no options.

Note: If ruled out for organ donation, you must make another referral call within 1 hour after the patient's cardiac death

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THE REFERRAL PHONE CALL

Donor Referral Center: 1-800-774-2729

After dialing, follow the prompts to refer either a cardiac death, or vented patient.

Please be prepared to answer the following questions to help expedite the call and determine donation suitability:

Cardiac Deaths

Tissue/Eye Referrals Questions:

- DOB
- Sex
- Height/Weight
- MRN
- Race
- Admission Date/Time/Dx
- Previously Vented?
- Cause of Death
- Date/Time of Death
 - (last time known alive, if arrest was not witnessed)
- History of HIV, HBV, HCV, & Cancer
- COVID Screening Questions
- IV Fluids – Last 1hr
- Blood Products - Last 48hr
- Next of Kin Information
- ME/Autopsy Status

Vented / Meeting Triggers

Organ Referral Questions:

- DOB
- Sex
- Height / Weight
- MRN
- Race
- Admission date-time
- Admission diagnosis

Call the Donor Referral Center if you have questions or updates regarding a referral that has already been called in. Have your Referral # when you call.