

LifeLink



Organ Donation Referral Criteria
1-800-64-DONOR (36667)

Regardless of age or diagnosis, call **within 1 hour** on ventilated patients:

- Missing at least one brainstem reflex or GCS \leq 8, regardless of sedation
- When TTM/hypothermia is initiated

Call back after initial referral if:

- Considering hospice consult, terminal extubation, AND/DNR/CMO
- Patient's condition declines
- Brain death testing is planned
- Family begins understanding poor prognosis/begins to discuss end-of-life decisions
- Family mentions donation/asks about next steps



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- ▶ Do NOT mention donation or LifeLink to family.
- ▶ If family asks what's next... state, "I have contacted someone to come discuss the next steps and answer your questions."
- ▶ For tissue donation evaluation, refer all patients within **1 hour of asystole**, even if previously referred.

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