

# DONOR REFERRAL LINE: 1-800-64-DONOR (36667)

## When should I call LifeLink® for initial assessment of organ donation?

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- *Call within 60 minutes on ventilated patients, regardless of age, diagnosis, or sedation who meet **ANY** of the following:*
  - Missing at least one brainstem reflex
  - GCS of 5 or less
  - TTM/hypothermia is initiated
- *Call back with updates if:*
  - Patient's condition declines
  - Considering DNR/CMO/AND, withdrawal from life-sustaining measures, terminal extubation, palliative care, or hospice
  - Family expresses understanding of poor prognosis, begins end-of-life discussions, or asks about next steps or donation

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- Do NOT mention donation or "LifeLink" to family.
  - If family asks what's next...state, "I have contacted someone to discuss the next steps and answer your questions."
  - Refer all patients within 60 minutes of asystole for tissue donation, even if previously referred.



**Remember: Wait, Don't Extubate!**



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### *References:*

*Federal Regulation: CMS 482.45(a)(1)  
Agency for Healthcare Administration Statute 765  
DNV Healthcare  
The Joint Commission  
Hospital Policy*

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