



LifeGift Update

— Optimizing Organ Donation —

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We are all in this *Together!*



Ancillary services play a pivotal role in regards to organ, tissue, and eye donation. Without the expertise of these individuals many of those waiting for lifesaving organs would not receive their transplant in time. Below you will find a list of hospital services and how they play a role in saving lives everyday!

ADMISSIONS

Assists with flipping the donor chart to ensure proper documentation.

ANESTHESIOLOGY

Assists with intraoperative donor management during the surgical recovery process.

BLOOD BANK

Assists with life saving blood products in stabilizing donor and determining patients blood type to match organs to the proper recipient.

CARDIOLOGY

Assists with determination of heart suitability via cardiac cath, echo's and ultrasound.

CASE MANAGEMENT

Assists with family, determining plan of care and being involved in the donation conversation.

CHAPLAIN SERVICES

Assist the family, hospital staff and LifeGift team with family dynamics and the planned donation conversation.

EMS

Assists in first line stability of patient, as well as transporting transplant teams and the donor organ to the recipient.

ETHICS/RISK MANAGEMENT

Assists with family, hospital and LifeGift discussions involving first person authorization as well as highly sensitive cases.

LAB SERVICES

assists in running pertinent lab tests to determine organ viability and trends.

PALLATIVE CARE

Assists family, Hospital and LifeGift in the transition between goals of care and end of life care conversations.

PATHOLOGY

Assists in biopsy reading and evaluation of donor organs.

PHARMACY

Assists in crucial medication management for organ and donor stability.

RADIOLOGY

Assists with determination of lung suitability via chest x-rays and measuring if lungs are appropriate size for recipient.

RESPIRATORY THERAPY

Assists with determination of lung suitability via arterial blood gas collection, vent setting changes and medication management.

QUALITY

Assists with providing monthly death report as required by CMS/DNV and ensuring accuracy in hospital charts.