## Donation After Circulatory Determination of Death Checklist

- Physician verbalizes grave prognosis to patient’s family
- Family decides to decelerate or withdrawal treatment.
- DCD potential discussed with Medical Director or designee prior to approach.
- Hospital Services (HS) is contacted
- Update attending physician in regards to case and evaluation.
- Family is approached regarding donation opportunity
- Authorization and DRAI obtained. If on registry, chart First Person DCD.*
- Inquire if ECS will be used
- Complete DCD tool, if requested. If not, chart DCD Tool Not Completed.*
- Rapid Case Huddle* and retrospective chart review, if accelerated case.
- Huddle with HS and 2nd DC to discuss plans for mini-inservices and/or other necessary tasks, if applicable.
- Ensure collaborative donor management with attending physician.
- Document antibiotic administration in Pre-OPO Flowsheet (minimum 1 dose required). Document if Attending will not order.
- Huddle with Hospital Liaison to discuss details including location, nurse/physician involvement and family expectations
- Huddle with care team to discuss DCD process and plan for patient if he/she does not expire. Chart as DCD Pre-Withdrawal Huddle.*
- Huddle with operating room staff (anesthesia, if applicable). Discuss case, DCD policy, and items needed for recovery (withdrawal location, slush, re-intubation, flexible bronch, etc).
- Keep DSC III updated in regards to withdrawal timeline, plan, etc.
- Identify Lead Coordinator and Family Coordinator
- Ensure care team has necessary withdrawal items prior to transport to OR.
- Comfort care medications
- Heparin
- End of life paperwork/body disposition form
- Obtain transplant team member names and arrival time.
- DCD Pronouncing MD.*
- Discuss need for quiet time during withdrawal.
- Complete DCD Requirements for Surgical Teams form.
- Withdrawal of medical treatment (ventilator, pressors, primary IVs).
- RN administers Heparin and comfort care medications
- Patient extubated by care team.
- Vital signs monitored and documented by DC
- Pronouncement of death per hospital policy.
- DCD Observation Period.*
- Obtain copy of death note. Ensure date, time, and signature are included.
- Family is escorted out or notified of TOD if they are not present.
- Transplant team(s) allowed back into OR suite.
- Medical Examiner is contacted (if applicable) by hospital