Gift of Life Michigan

Donation after Circulatory Death (DCD)
Requirements for Surgical Teams

1. Surgical team will not be present during the withdrawal of care process or:
   a. Prescribe or influence medical treatment or comfort care management,
   b. Be present in the potential donor’s room at any time during the withdrawal process until declaration of death,
   c. Document the potential donor’s death or be involved in any activity surrounding the diagnosis of death.

2. Authorization and chart review done with surgeon (yes / no).

3. According to the hospital policy the patient can be pronounced by (RN/MD/PA).

4. There must be (2 / 5) minutes of (Pulselessness / PEA / Asystole / Vfib) rhythm (prior/after) declaration of death as indicated by hospital policy. No additional “no touch” time needed after declaration of death, unless specifically indicated by hospital policy.

5. The hospital policy states a maximum of (60 / 90) minutes after withdrawal of care for renal procurement.

6. _______ units of heparin will be given prior to withdrawal of support. If not allowed by hospital policy, alert surgeon.

7. Location of withdrawal is ______________. The family (will / will not) be present.

8. Organs for transplant (kidneys / liver / panc / lungs); organs for research include ______________.

9. OR room/instrumentation has been reviewed with scrub nurse, by surgical team (yes / no).

10. _______ will update surgeon upon heparin administration, extubation, q 5 minutes after extubation, and with decline of vital signs.

11. Is this an ME case (yes / no)? Specimens needed ______________.

12. Time out, moment of silence, and prayer (if requested by family) will occur, when: ______________

Date: ______________. CNS: ______________

Donation Coordinator: ______________

Surgeon’s signature(s): ______________

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