Organ and Tissue Donation Committee (Donor Council)

Policy Statement
The Medical Staff of (insert hospital name) shall have a multidisciplinary standing committee responsible for directing and monitoring the Organ and Tissue Donation program across all (insert hospital name) hospitals and clinics. The name of this committee shall be the Organ and Tissue Donation Committee.

Scope
This policy applies to all members of the (insert hospital name) Medical staff, allied health professionals, residents, administration and employees, students, volunteers, and agency personnel who provide direct or indirect services to patients at (insert hospital name) hospitals and clinics.

Mission
1. Treat any missed donor as a Never Event.
2. Participate in increasing enrollment in the Wisconsin Donor Registry.
3. Honor all first-person authorizations on deceased donors.
4. Hold physicians accountable to complete brain death declaration regardless of family decisions about donation.
5. Engage palliative care in family conversations regarding brain death.
6. Collaborate with Wisconsin Donor Network to treat potential donors and prevent deceleration of care.

Purpose
1. To develop, direct, and monitor the Organ and Tissue Donation program across all (insert hospital name) hospitals and clinics.
2. To implement evidence-based Organ and Tissue Donation standards across all (insert hospital name) hospitals and clinics.
3. To develop and make recommendations for approval of Organ and Tissue Donation policies and procedures across all (insert hospital name) hospitals and clinics.
4. To promote improvement of quality indicators related to Organ and Tissue Donation practices across all (insert hospital name) hospitals and clinics.

Membership
1. The physician Chair of the Organ and Tissue Donation Committee shall be appointed by the (insert hospital name) Chief of Staff.
2. The Organ and Tissue Donation Committee shall include a physician representative from each Hospital campus involved in either Organ Donation by Brain Death Criteria or Donation after Circulatory Death. Members may also include other physicians including, but not limited to, hospitalists, intensivists, surgeons, anesthesiologists, and pulmonary specialists, appropriate Wisconsin Donor Network/Wisconsin Tissue Bank membership, Lions Eye Bank membership, and other members as recommended jointly by the physician Chair and the (insert hospital name) Chief of Staff.
3. Representatives from administration, nursing, and other appropriate clinical support areas shall serve as members. Non-physician representatives shall be appointed by the specific (insert hospital name) campus President or his/her designee, in collaboration with the (insert hospital name) Chief of Staff.
**Expectations of Members**
1. To analyze and respond to data relevant to donation.
2. To distribute donation data to all relevant individuals and departments.
3. To participate in Organ and Tissue Donation Subcommittees and other project-related work.
4. Mandatory attendance at all meetings or provision of proxy to attend in member’s stead.

**Meetings**
1. The Organ and Tissue Donation Committee shall meet on a schedule determined in conjunction with the Wisconsin Donor Network based on donation potential and hospital needs.
2. The Organ and Tissue Donation Committee shall prepare a record of attendance and maintain minutes of its meetings, which record their actions and recommendations.

**Reporting**
The Organ and Tissue Donation Committee shall report pertinent findings to the (insert hospital name) Medical Staff Council.