## **Organ and Tissue Donation**

Categories: Charity/Helping Others, Health Issues

## How to Become a Donor:

- Declare your wish on your driver's license or photo ID card, if you are going to the DMV to obtain or renew your license/identification.
- Join the donor registry in your state. Connecticut residents can obtain a donor card by contacting New England Donor Services (serving Hartford, Litchfield, Windham, Tolland, New London, and Middlesex counties) or Donate Life Connecticut.
- Include donation in your advance directives, will, and living will
- Tell your family. They can be your advocate should you become a donor candidate.
- Tell your physician, faith leader, and friends.

For more information about organ and tissue donation go to:

- New England Donor Services: <a href="https://neds.org/">https://neds.org/</a>
- Donate Life Connecticut: https://www.donatelifect.org/
- Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles: <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/DMV/Licenses/Organ-Donation/How-to-Become-an-Organ-Donor">https://portal.ct.gov/DMV/Licenses/Organ-Donation/How-to-Become-an-Organ-Donor</a>
- United States Department of Health and Human Services Organ and Tissue Donation: https://www.organdonor.gov/
- Medline Plus: <a href="https://medlineplus.gov/organdonation.html">https://medlineplus.gov/organdonation.html</a>

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