

# Careers in organ donation



**Careers in the field of organ donation & transplantation are on the rise!**  
**Anyone who chooses a career in this field will enter one of the most rewarding and exciting areas of medicine.**

**Organ Recovery Coordinators** are responsible for managing and evaluating clinical information regarding the potential donor. They also work with hospital staff to provide appropriate donor management care prior to recovery. Communicates with UNOS and transplant centers to place all potential organs for donation.

**Hospital Relations Representatives** are responsible for serving as a liaison between organ procurement organizations and hospitals. They plan and deliver educational programs for the two organizations, to educate staff members on policies, procedures and developments related to donation and the process.

**Preservationists** maintain the preservation of organs during and after recovery. They also accompany imported organs on fly-outs to other transplant centers, monitor kidneys on the preservation equipment and prepare recovered organs for transplant.

**Call Center Coordinators** are responsible for identifying and evaluating patient referrals for potential organ, eye and tissue donation. They speak with donor families to provide support prior to the recovery process or to obtain consent for donation.

**Tissue Recovery Technicians** are trained technicians that are responsible for the recovery of tissue from donors in compliance with regulating, accrediting and governing agencies.

**Transplant Coordinators** are responsible for working with a potential transplant recipient to coordinate their transplant. Coordinates and assists surgeons with the evaluation of patient, serves as a liaison for the transplant team, insurance companies, dieticians and social services.

**Transplant Physicians** diagnose and treat diseases that may result in organ failure. They provide treatment and prescribe medication for individuals who are waiting for an organ transplant or have undergone transplantation. This individual does not perform transplant surgeries.

**Transplant Surgeons** are highly trained and specialize in the recovery and transplantation of organs.

**Researchers** use modern technology and discoveries to maximize the gifts of organ donation.

**Family Advocates** are responsible for responding to hospital referrals, coordinating the initial evaluation for potential organ donors and maintaining donor family relationships.

**Bereavement Services Coordinators** provide aftercare and support to donor families. They plan and execute events which allow families to celebrate and honor their loved one.

**Community Outreach** provides educational programs to various audiences including students, professional groups and community groups. They are responsible for empowering these groups to save and heal lives by registering as donors.