

# LANGUAGE MATTERS.

Are you using compassionate donation terminology?



## Say this



Recover  
Deceased donor  
Gifts  
Donor  
Mechanical support



## Not that



Harvest  
Cadaver donor  
Body parts  
Donator  
Life support



## Brain Death versus Donation after Circulatory Death (DCD) Pathway to Organ Donation

### Brain Death

- Brain Death is established/patient's death is pronounced.
- Less than 1% of all patients who die meet brain death criteria.
- Lifeline of Ohio is responsible for donor management after declaration.

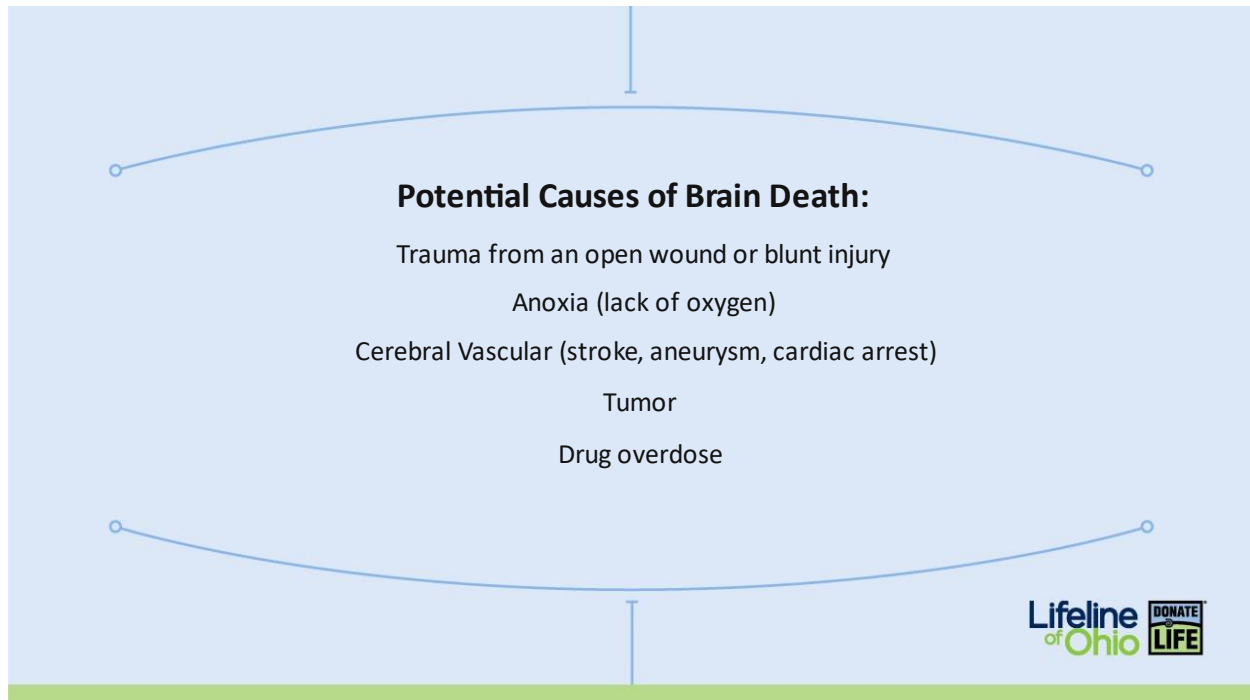
### DCD

- Patient that does not meet brain death criteria, but has suffered a non-recoverable injury and LNOK is determining end of life decision making.
- Hospital is responsible for patient management until cardiac death.
- A physician need to be present in the OR to declare the patient prior to organ donation.

**\*\*DCD increases the number of organs available for transplantation as so few patients meet brain death criteria.**



Add this to the above slide under brain death



## Organ Allocation and How it Works:

Allocation is a balance of the following factors:

- Unique scoring system
  - Pediatric vs adults
- Medical need
- Geography
- Appropriate size match
- Blood type
- Length of time the patient has waited
- Other factors unique to each organ

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### Preparation for OR

- Negotiating OR time (Recovery teams, Hospital OR and Lifeline of Ohio staff)
- Arranging transportation for incoming recovery teams
  - Organs are second in the sky to Air Force One and will sometimes take priority to the POTUS
- Communication with surgeons
- Verify with OR supplies needed for recovery are available



## Recovery Teams

- Your Hospital
  - Anesthesia, circulating nurse, surgical technician
- Abdominal Transplant Teams
  - Recovery surgeon, assistant/fellow, perfusionist/surgical recovery coordinator
- Cardiothoracic Transplant Teams
  - Recovery surgeon, assistant/fellow, perfusionist/surgical recovery coordinator

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## ICU Timeline

- No definitive ICU timeline for donor management
- Lifeline of Ohio coordinator will advise ICU staff of management goals
  - Donor stabilization and optimization
  - Multi-system organ function testing
  - Serological and HLA testing
  - Multi-organ allocation
  - Logistical coordination for recovery

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