USC School of Medicine Gift of Body Program Cell Biology & Anatomy Columbia, SC 29208 (803) 216-3888 - voice (803) 216-3848 - fax

Program Coordinator: Lisa Buchanan Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 9:00-5:00

## GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR HEALTHCARE PERSONNEL

- Prior enrollment is required
  - o Confirm that patient is enrolled in donor program a.s.a.p.
  - o Family should not assume enrollment!
  - o New donors accepted from within the state of South Carolina ONLY.
  - o Donation intent must be on part of donor. If unable to sign their own name, POA is required.
- There is generally a seven-day waiting period for processing donor application.
  - o If timeliness is an issue, please contact the program coordinator a.s.a.p. (803) 216-3888. It may be possible to "walk through" the paperwork, *in some cases*, in order to enroll the donor.
  - o Paper work with original signatures must be on file in the program office before donation intent is complete

The complete Donor Information packet is available on the web at <a href="http://RealAnatomy.med.sc.edu/GOB/">http://RealAnatomy.med.sc.edu/GOB/</a>

Program Rejection and/or Denial issues can be found within the **Donor Death - Call Sheet** on the back of this page. Information noted on this form will be required by the program at the time of the donor's death in order to confirm acceptance. Details can be gathered at any time but <u>MUST</u> be updated/current when reporting donor death to the program.

## AFTER PATIENT DEATH, PLEASE...:

- Remove any personal items for return to family (jewelry, hearing aid, whistle, etc...)
- Remove any intravenous lines, feeding tubes, catheters, any non-surgically implanted access points, etc.
- Complete the Donor Call Sheet (back of this page). This info will be needed to determine acceptance.
- Call the Gift of Body (GOB) Program (803) 216-3888 to report death & initiate final donation process

During GOB office hours – call (803) 216-3888	Nights/Weekend/Holidays – call (803) 359-1545
1. Fax Donor Call Sheet to (803) 216-3848	1. Give the call service your name and a call-back
2. Program will call back to confirm acceptance &	number. Tell them you are calling for USC School
arrange for pickup.	of Medicine.
3. Contact county coroners office for issuance of the	2. When personnel return your call, give them info on
BRT Permit (see notes below)	Donor Call Sheet.
4. Have BRT permit faxed to (803) 216-3848	3 follow # 3 & # 4 as during office hours
Once GOB program personnel confirm that the donor's body will accepted,	
Program personnel will make arrangements for transport from death site to the School of Medicine.	
Program personnel will follow-up with the family to discuss obituary notices, death certificates, etc	
Please address any questions about this process to the program office at (803) 216-3888.	

## NOTE: Information regarding issuance of the BRT (Burial/Removal/Transit) Permit:

- Once acceptance is confirmed, USC School of Medicine becomes the official "Funeral Home" for the donor This information will be needed for the BRT Permit.
- We are aware that many Hospice groups in SC have been given official authority to issue BRT permits in certain counties. In this case, you do not need to fax the BRT permit, but it <u>must</u> accompany the body during transit to the School of Medicine.

## USC SCHOOL OF MEDICINE GIFT OF BODY PROGRAM **DONOR DEATH - CALL SHEET** FAX to the program office at (803) 216-3848 once completed Date of Death Time of Death **County of Death Cause/Final Diagnosis/Contributing Aspects** YES / NO - Is Family ready for donor to be picked up? There is NO VISITATION ALLOWED after pickup!! Patient/Donor information: Site of Death **YES / NO** - Enrollment confirmed w/ donor program? Social Security Number Name Facility or state address Full Name Next of Kin info: NAME - RELATIONSHIP - PHONE - ADDRESS **Choose/Circle One:** Hospital - - Hospice Facility Nursing Home - - Long Term Care Home -- Other (explain) **Circle any conditions present:** Caller Name & Phone # Needed for confirmation call-back Sepsis (note exception) Septic Infection Hepatitis (current or Hep C at any time) VRE TB HIV 72 Hrs post-mortem Autopsied **Embalming Begun** Trauma to body **Organs Donated Post-Mortem** Name & Office Phone # of Open Wounds (small bedsores are ok) $^{(\underline{note\ exception})}$ Any Potential Infection Doctor to sign death certificate Recent (72 hrs) radiation – Isotope Tracing – Radioactive Angiogram or Iodine Radioactive Implant What? When Implanted? (Acceptance or denial of Radioactive Implant depends on radiation half-life) Has Dr. signed death cert? If any of the $\underline{ABOVE}$ conditions are present, $^{(\underline{note\ exceptions})}$ **YES** – certificate must come USC School of Medicine can not accept the cadaver donation. with body during transport Regardless of acceptance or denial, **NO** – USC will initiate & send fax this form to (803) 216-3848 so that we may complete donor file. back to Doctor for completion FINAL CHECKLIST Exceptions to Denial: USC will accept decubitus as long as no bigger than palm sized, if donor is also enrolled in the Polymer Preservation (permanent donation) Program. Remove personal items for return to family *UROSEPSIS* is acceptable for cadaver donation – be sure to state so! Remove lines, tubes, **Circle any conditions present** (these are cleared for acceptance): access points, etc... MRSA Amputee (Which?) Pacemaker Call USC to initiate Alzheimer's (Must DENY if Creutzfeldt-Jacob a.k.a. "Galloping" or early onset/death)

Which? (Left or Right?)

Metal or Orthopeadic Devise (Hip, Knee, Spinal Fusion, Pin, Stent etc...)

What?

Fax form to USC

**Initiate BRT Permit**