

Critical Pathway for Donation after Circulatory Death

Patient is identified to meet clinical triggers for referral to DNA. Hospital staff contacts Donor Network of Arizona (DNA) 1-800-447-9477

A DNA Coordinator conducts an initial evaluation and will continue to consult daily with hospital on the plan of care.

Physician and family have a discussion about withdrawal of life support.

The family decides to withdraw support.

Patient is determined to be a suitable candidate for donation.

DNA coordinator and the care team will hold a “huddle” to make a *plan* for a donation conversation with family including timing and introduction of DNA.

DNA coordinator *introduces* donation and facilitates the donation conversation with the family. If a person is registered, this serves as authorization.

Patient is maintained during further evaluation as a potential donor after circulatory death and while arrangements for donation are made.

Hospital staff facilitates preparation for withdraw of support per hospital policy

Support is withdrawn. Warm ischemia time begins. Declaring hospital physician must be present to declare death

PATIENT ARREST

PATIENT DOES NOT ARREST. Notify attending physician. Transfer patient to designated hospital location..

Patient declared dead by circulatory criteria by non-transplant physician (according to hospital policy).



Performed by hospital staff



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Performed by DNA with participation from hospital staff