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# Procedures at Time of Death

*for Funeral Directors and Donor  
Representatives*

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**Please Note:**

**This packet provides information and forms used after the death of a Donor.**

For information and the “Donor Authorization” form used **during** a donor’s lifetime, please see the University of Michigan’s “Gift of Knowledge” guide or visit the Anatomical Donations Program website at <http://medicine.umich.edu/anatomical-donations>.

## Overview of Procedures at Time of Death for Funeral Directors and Donor Representatives

1. Funeral Director contacts University of Michigan Anatomical Donations Program (Program) promptly after death at (734) 764-4359 to determine next steps.
2. Funeral Director counsels donor's family or legal representative that acceptance of donation is not guaranteed and requires approval by the Program.
3. Donor's family or legal representative completes the following forms:
  - **Medical Information**  
This form is needed promptly to help determine whether donation can be approved. Please complete for all donors.
  - **Notification or Authorization by Donor Representative**  
The donor representative will use this form to indicate the source of consent for the donation. The consent will be from either a document completed by the decedent before death or from the authorization made on this form by the donor representative after death. Please complete for all donors.
  - **Authorization for Disposition of Ashes**  
Please complete for all temporary donations. *(See definitions of temporary and permanent donations on "Notification or Authorization by Donor Representative" form, page 3.)*

Forms may be returned to the Program via fax or email to the following:

<b>Fax:</b>	<b>Email:</b>
(734) 763-6523	donorinfo@umich.edu

4. Program determines whether donation is accepted or declined. If declined, decedent's family or legal representative arranges for final disposition at own expense.
5. If accepted, Funeral Director arranges for transportation of donor's body to the Program and provides the following documents to the Program:

**Death Certificate (photocopy acceptable)**

- Method of Disposition is simply "Donation"
- Place of Disposition: "The University of Michigan Medical School"

**Burial Transit Permit**

- Method of Disposition is simply "Donation"
- Place of Disposition: "The University of Michigan Medical School"
- County: Washtenaw
- Cremation Section: leave blank

**Note:** Please see the Anatomical Donations Program website at <http://medicine.umich.edu/anatomical-donations> for important additional information on donation procedures and expenses.



### Anatomical Donations Program Medical Information

If it is more convenient, you may e-mail the requested information in PDF (or other) format to donorinfo@umich.edu.

Potential Donor Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Donor medical histories are a very important part of our studies. To aid us in obtaining a complete medical record, please fill in the information to the best of your knowledge and check all that apply below:

Gender \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_

**Has the donor had any of the following diseases or conditions?**

- Active MRSA (Methicillin Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*)
- Active VRE (Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci)
- Sepsis
- Hepatitis
- HIV/AIDS
- C. diff (*Clostridium difficile*)
- TB (Tuberculosis)
- Decubitus Ulcers
- Jaundice
- Covid-19 (Coronavirus)
- Multiple Systems Atrophy (MSA)
- Dementia, first diagnosed \_\_\_\_\_

Cancer \_\_\_\_\_ Treatment(s)/Year(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Other Contagious Disease(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Feeding Tube  Skeletal Anomalies \_\_\_\_\_

Substance Abuse - List Substance(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**Has the donor had any of the following surgeries?**

- Heart Surgery - Year \_\_\_\_\_
- Spine Surgery -Year \_\_\_\_\_
- Colostomy - Year \_\_\_\_\_
- Gall Bladder Removed -Year \_\_\_\_\_
- Appendix Removed – Year \_\_\_\_\_
- Tonsils Removed - Year \_\_\_\_\_
- Joint Replacement Surgery - Joint(s)/Year(s) \_\_\_\_\_
- Amputation(s) \_\_\_\_\_
- Other Surgical History \_\_\_\_\_

**Female donors:**

- Hysterectomy Year \_\_\_\_\_
- Cesarean Section Year(s) \_\_\_\_\_
- Number of Children Birthed \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide a list of medications:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Please list primary care providers and institutions from which the donor has received medical care:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Additionally, we request that you attach a copy of any medical records in your possession pertaining to the past physical condition of this individual. Thank you. If you have any questions please call.

**For more information in the future, whom can we contact?**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone/Email \_\_\_\_\_



## Notification or Authorization by Donor Representative

Name of Decedent/Donor \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person Completing This Form \_\_\_\_\_ Title (Mr./Mrs./Ms./Dr./Other) \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Donor \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
(e.g. family relationship, funeral representative)

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. Consent –

- I understand that the donor body may be used for the purposes of education or research, both within UM or outside UM by another institution, in the sound judgment and sole discretion of the University of Michigan Anatomical Donations Program (“Program”).
- I understand that the acceptance and exact use of the donor body will be at the discretion of the Program. In some cases such use may involve exposures to destructive or damaging forces (e.g., impacts, crashes, ballistic injuries, blasts). Examples of how the gift might be used for education or research include: medical education and training; forensic sciences (e.g., pathology, engineering, anthropology); vehicle safety or the development of protective equipment (e.g., military, law enforcement, sports).
- I understand that, for the purposes of education or research, the Program reserves the right to create and share/distribute photographic, video, extended reality renderings, or other multimedia of the donation in ways that are de-identified and with respect for the donor’s dignity.
- I understand that the Program will not return any medical or cosmetic implants, prostheses, or devices.
- I authorize any and all health care providers (e.g. hospitals, nursing homes, physician practices) holding donor health information at the time of death to release donor health information to the Program and funeral facility personnel for the purpose of implementing a donation. Release of donor health information may be in oral and/or written form, including copies of donor medical records. This authorization extends to the release of information, if any, regarding: alcohol and drug/abuse treatment; psychosocial and social work counseling; HIV, AIDS or ARC; communicable disease or infections, including sexually transmitted diseases, venereal disease, tuberculosis and hepatitis; and genetic information. The Program will follow all applicable law as well as University of Michigan policies to ensure the confidentiality of donor health information, but I understand that once a health care provider or the Program discloses donor health information to a recipient, neither the health care provider nor the Program can guarantee that the recipient will not re-disclose donor health information. The Program is not liable for the actions of others who may further disclose the information.

**2. Applicable Law and Policies** – I understand this donation is subject to applicable law and Program policies in effect at the time of the death.

**3. Duration of Donation** - Choose *only one* option:

- Temporary Donation** – The donation will be used in any manner that the Program deems appropriate, within or external to the University of Michigan. Within approximately 24 months of the donation, the Program will cremate the donor’s body and the ashes will be made available for return. I understand that, for the purposes of education or research, the Program reserves the right to preserve and/or retain a portion of the donation indefinitely, including, but not limited to: tissues/histological (microscopic) samples, portions of bone/organs, and whole organs or organ systems. These retained portions will not be included in the ashes that are made available for return after approximately 24 months. Upon the completion of their use, the Program will cremate the retained portions and/or bury those remains at the University of Michigan burial plot. Remains of retained portions will not be returned. **OR**
- Permanent Donation** – The Program may retain the entire donation indefinitely to be used in any manner that the Program deems appropriate, within or external to the University of Michigan, without time constraints on the use of the donor’s body. Following use of the donation, the Program will cremate the donor’s body and/or bury the remains at the University of Michigan burial plot. When Permanent Donation is selected, remains will not be returned.

### Signature of Donor Representative

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Definitions

**\*Donor Document** means any writing expressing the intent to make an anatomical gift as specified under the Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Law, Public Act 368 of 1978, amended 2008 (see pages 5-14). **Note: information on who has priority to make anatomical gifts is available at section 333.10109 of the Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Law (see page 9 For reference, the full text of the Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Law begins at page 5 of this packet.**

**Authorization for Disposition of Ashes**

Name of Decedent/Donor \_\_\_\_\_

**Please select one option (this must match the selection on Page 3):****Temporary Donation:** I authorize the University of Michigan to send the ashes of the decedent/donor by registered mail to the following person/address:

Title (Mr./Mrs./Dr./Other) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Donor \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**OR****Permanent Donation:** I authorize the University of Michigan to inter the remains of the decedent/donor in conjunction with the University of Michigan Annual Memorial Service honoring anatomical donations to its Medical School.

If this anatomical gift is a "Permanent Donation," please note that the ashes **WILL NOT be returned**. Eventually, remains will be interred in conjunction with the University of Michigan Annual Memorial Service.

**Attestation and Signature**

I, (please print) \_\_\_\_\_, am authorized under Michigan law to make funeral and cremation decisions for the decedent/donor. I approve the disposition of ashes indicated above.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Donor \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act****PUBLIC HEALTH CODE****Act 368 of 1978**

## Part 101

## REVISED UNIFORM ANATOMICAL GIFT LAW

**333.10101 Short title of part.**

This part shall be known and may be cited as the “revised uniform anatomical gift law”.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978; -- Am. 2008, Act 39, Eff. May 1, 2008

**333.10102 Definitions.**

As used in this part:

- (a) “Adult” means an individual who is at least 18 years of age.
- (b) “Agent” means an individual who meets 1 or more of the following requirements:
  - (i) Is authorized to make health care decisions on the principal’s behalf by a power of attorney for health care.
  - (ii) Is expressly authorized to make an anatomical gift on the principal’s behalf by any other record signed by the principal.
- (c) “Anatomical gift” means a donation of all or part of a human body to take effect after the donor’s death for the purpose of transplantation, therapy, research, or education.
- (d) “Body part” means an organ, eye, or tissue of a human being. The term does not include the whole body.
- (e) “Decedent” means a deceased individual whose body or body part is or may be the source of an anatomical gift. The term includes a stillborn infant and, subject to this subdivision and restrictions imposed by law other than this part, a fetus. The term does not include a blastocyst, embryo, or fetus that is the subject of an abortion. As used in this subdivision, “abortion” means that term as defined in section 17015.
- (f) “Disinterested witness” means a witness who is not a spouse, child, parent, sibling, grandchild, grandparent, or guardian of or other adult who exhibited special care and concern for the individual who makes, amends, revokes, or refuses to make an anatomical gift. The term does not include a person to which an anatomical gift could pass under section 10111.
- (g) “Document of gift” means a donor card or other record used to make an anatomical gift. The term includes a statement or symbol on a driver license, identification card, or donor registry.
- (h) “Donor” means an individual whose body or body part is the subject of an anatomical gift.
- (i) “Donor registry” means a database that contains records of anatomical gifts and amendments to or revocations of anatomical gifts as provided for in section 10120.
- (j) “Driver license” means an operator’s or chauffeur’s license or permit issued to an individual by the secretary of state under chapter III of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.301 to 257.329, for that individual to operate a vehicle, whether or not conditions are attached to the license or permit.
- (k) “Eye” means a human eye or any portion of a human eye.
- (l) “Eye bank” means a person that is licensed, accredited, or regulated under federal or state law to engage in the recovery, screening, testing, processing, storage, or distribution of human eyes or portions of human eyes.
- (m) “Guardian” means a person appointed by a court to make decisions regarding the support, care, education, health, or welfare of an individual. The term does not include a guardian ad litem.
- (n) “Hospital” means a facility licensed as a hospital under the law of any state or a facility operated as a hospital by the United States, a state, or a subdivision of a state.

- (o) "Identification card" means an official state personal identification card issued by the secretary of state under 1972 PA 222, MCL 28.291 to 28.300.
- (p) "Know" means to have actual knowledge.
- (q) "Minor" means an individual who is under 18 years of age.
- (r) "Organ" means a human kidney, liver, heart, lung, pancreas, or intestine or multivisceral organs when transplanted at the same time as an intestine.
- (s) "Organ procurement organization" means a person certified or recertified by the secretary of the United States department of health and human services as a qualified organ procurement organization under 42 USC 273(b).
- (t) "Parent" means a parent whose parental rights have not been terminated.
- (u) "Person" means an individual, corporation, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, limited liability company, association, joint venture, public corporation, government or governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality or any other legal or commercial entity.
- (v) "Physician" means an individual authorized to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine and surgery under the law of any state.
- (w) "Procurement organization" means an eye bank, organ procurement organization, or tissue bank.
- (x) "Prospective donor" means an individual who is dead or near death and has been determined by a procurement organization to have a body part that could be medically suitable for transplantation, therapy, research, or education. The term does not include an individual who has made a refusal.
- (y) "Reasonably available" means able to be contacted by a procurement organization without undue effort and willing and able to act in a timely manner consistent with existing medical criteria necessary for the making of an anatomical gift.
- (z) "Recipient" means an individual into whose body a decedent's body part has been or is intended to be transplanted.
- (aa) "Record" means information that is inscribed on a tangible medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is retrievable in perceivable form.
- (bb) "Refusal" means a record created under section 10107 that expressly refuses to make an anatomical gift of an individual's body or body part.
- (cc) "Sign" means that, with the present intent to authenticate or adopt a record, an individual does either of the following:
- (i) Executes or adopts a tangible symbol.
  - (ii) Attaches to or logically associates with the record an electronic symbol, sound, or process.
- (dd) "State" means a state of the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any territory or insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.
- (ee) "Technician" means an individual determined to be qualified to remove or process body parts by an appropriate organization that is licensed, accredited, or regulated under federal or state law. The term includes an enucleator.
- (ff) "Tissue" means a portion of the human body other than an organ or an eye. The term does not include blood unless the blood is donated for the purpose of research or education.
- (gg) "Tissue bank" means a person that is licensed, accredited, or regulated under federal or state law to engage in the recovery, screening, testing, processing, storage, or distribution of tissue.
- (hh) "Transplant hospital" means a hospital that furnishes organ transplants and other medical and surgical specialty services required for the care of transplant patients.

**333.10103 Applicability of part to anatomical gift.**

This part applies to an anatomical gift or amendment to, revocation of, or refusal to make an anatomical gift, whenever made.

**333.10104 Anatomical gift of donor's body or body part; purpose; persons making gift.**

Subject to section 10108, an anatomical gift of a donor's body or body part may be made during the life of the donor for the purpose of transplantation, therapy, research, or education in the manner provided in section 10105 by any of the following:

- (a) The donor, if the donor is an adult or if the donor is a minor and meets 1 or more of the following requirements:
  - (i) Is emancipated.
  - (ii) Has been issued a driver license or identification card because the donor is at least 16 years of age.
- (b) An agent of the donor, unless the power of attorney for health care or other record prohibits the agent from making an anatomical gift.
- (c) A parent of the donor, if the donor is an unemancipated minor.
- (d) The donor's guardian.

**333.10105 Donor making anatomical gift; methods; gift by donor card or other record; effect of revocation, suspension, expiration, or cancellation of driver license or identification card upon which anatomical gift is indicated; anatomical gift made by will; effect of probate or invalidation.**

- (1) A donor may make an anatomical gift by doing any of the following:
  - (a) By authorizing a statement or symbol indicating that the donor has made an anatomical gift to be imprinted on the donor's driver license or identification card.
  - (b) In a will.
  - (c) During a terminal illness or injury of the donor, by any form of communication addressed to at least 2 adults, at least 1 of whom is a disinterested witness. However, the physician who attends the donor during the terminal illness or injury shall not act as a recipient of the communication under this subdivision.
  - (d) As provided in subsection (2).
- (2) A donor or other person authorized to make an anatomical gift under section 10104 may make a gift by a donor card or other record signed by the donor or other person making the gift or by authorizing that a statement or symbol indicating that the donor has made an anatomical gift be included on a donor registry. If the donor or other person is physically unable to sign a record, the record may be signed by another individual at the direction of the donor or other person and shall meet all of the following requirements:
  - (a) Be witnessed by at least 2 adults, at least 1 of whom is a disinterested witness, who have signed at the request of the donor or the other person.
  - (b) State that it has been signed and witnessed as provided in subdivision (a).
- (3) Revocation, suspension, expiration, or cancellation of a driver license or identification card upon which an anatomical gift is indicated does not invalidate the gift.
- (4) An anatomical gift made by will takes effect upon the donor's death whether or not the will is probated. Invalidation of the will after the donor's death does not invalidate the gift.

**333.10106 Amendment or revocation of anatomical gift; means.**

- (1) Subject to section 10108, a donor or other person authorized to make an anatomical gift under section 10104 may amend or revoke an anatomical gift by any of the following means:
  - (a) A record signed by any of the following:
    - (i) The donor.
    - (ii) The other person authorized to make an anatomical gift under section 10104.
    - (iii) Subject to subsection (2), another individual acting at the direction of the donor or the other person authorized to make an anatomical gift under section 10104 if the donor or other person is physically unable to sign.
  - (b) A later-executed document of gift that amends or revokes a previous anatomical gift or portion of an anatomical gift, either expressly or by inconsistency.

- (2) A record signed pursuant to subsection (1)(a)(iii) shall meet all of the following requirements:
  - (a) Be witnessed by at least 2 adults, at least 1 of whom is a disinterested witness, who have signed at the request of the donor or the other person.
  - (b) State that it has been signed and witnessed as provided in subdivision (a).
- (3) Subject to section 10108, a donor or other person authorized to make an anatomical gift under section 10104 may revoke an anatomical gift by the destruction or cancellation of the document of gift, or the portion of the document of gift used to make the gift, with the intent to revoke the gift.
- (4) A donor may amend or revoke an anatomical gift that was not made in a will by any form of communication during a terminal illness or injury addressed to at least 2 adults, at least 1 of whom is a disinterested witness.
- (5) A donor who makes an anatomical gift in a will may amend or revoke the gift in the manner provided for amendment or revocation of wills or as provided in subsection (1).

**333.10107 Refusal to make anatomical gift; means.**

- (1) An individual may refuse to make an anatomical gift of his or her body or body part by any of the following means:
  - (a) A record signed by either of the following:
    - (i) The individual.
    - (ii) Subject to subsection (2), another individual acting at the direction of the individual if the individual is physically unable to sign.
  - (b) The individual's will, whether or not the will is admitted to probate or invalidated after his or her death.
  - (c) Any form of communication made by the individual during his or her terminal illness or injury addressed to at least 2 adults, at least 1 of whom is a disinterested witness.
- (2) A record signed pursuant to subsection (1)(a)(ii) shall meet all of the following requirements:
  - (a) Be witnessed by at least 2 adults, at least 1 of whom is a disinterested witness, who have signed at the request of the individual.
  - (b) State that it has been signed and witnessed as provided in subdivision (a).
- (3) An individual who has made a refusal may amend or revoke the refusal by any of the following means:
  - (a) In the manner provided in subsection (1) for making a refusal.
  - (b) By subsequently making an anatomical gift pursuant to section 10105 that is inconsistent with the refusal.
  - (c) By destroying or canceling the record evidencing the refusal, or the portion of the record used to make the refusal, with the intent to revoke the refusal.
- (4) Except as otherwise provided in section 10108(8), in the absence of an express, contrary indication by the individual set forth in the refusal, an individual's unrevoked refusal to make an anatomical gift of his or her body or body part bars all other persons from making an anatomical gift of the individual's body or body part.

**333.10108 Person other than donor barred from making, amending, or revoking anatomical gift; conditions; revocation of anatomical gift not considered as refusal; unrevoked or revocation of anatomical gift by person other than donor; certain conduct not considered as limitation; donor as unemancipated minor.**

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (7) and subject to subsection (6), in the absence of an express, contrary indication by the donor, a person other than the donor is barred from making, amending, or revoking an anatomical gift of a donor's body or body part if the donor made an anatomical gift of the donor's body or body part under section 10105 or an amendment to an anatomical gift of the donor's body or body part under section 10106.
- (2) A donor's revocation of an anatomical gift of the donor's body or body part under section 10106 is not a refusal and does not bar another person specified in section 10104 or 10109 from making an anatomical gift of the donor's body or body part under section 10105 or 10110.
- (3) If a person other than the donor makes an unrevoked anatomical gift of the donor's body or body part under section 10105 or an amendment to an anatomical gift to the donor's body or body part under section 10106, another person may not make, amend, or revoke the gift of the donor's body or body part under section 10110.
- (4) A revocation of an anatomical gift of a donor's body or body part under section 10106 by a person other than the donor does not bar another person from making an anatomical gift of the body or body part under section 10105 or 10110.

- (5) In the absence of an express, contrary indication by the donor or other person authorized to make an anatomical gift under section 10104, an anatomical gift of a body part is neither a refusal to give another body part nor a limitation on the making of an anatomical gift of another body part at a later time by the donor or other person.
- (6) In the absence of an express, contrary indication by the donor or other person authorized to make an anatomical gift under section 10104, an anatomical gift of a body part for 1 or more of the purposes set forth in section 10104 is not a limitation on the making of an anatomical gift of the body part for any of the other purposes by the donor or any other person under section 10105 or 10110.
- (7) If a donor who is an unemancipated minor dies, a parent of the donor who is reasonably available may revoke or amend an anatomical gift of the donor's body or body part.
- (8) If an unemancipated minor who signed a refusal dies, a parent of the minor who is reasonably available may revoke the minor's refusal.

**333.10109 Classes of persons making anatomical gift; priority; more than 1 member of class making anatomical gift; availability of person in prior class.**

- (1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3) and unless barred by section 10107 or 10108, an anatomical gift of a decedent's body or body part for purpose of transplantation, therapy, research, or education may be made by any member of the following classes of persons who is reasonably available, in the order of priority listed as follows:
  - (a) An agent of the decedent at the time of death who could have made an anatomical gift under section 10104(b) immediately before the decedent's death.
  - (b) The spouse of the decedent.
  - (c) Adult children of the decedent.
  - (d) Parents of the decedent.
  - (e) Adult siblings of the decedent.
  - (f) Adult grandchildren of the decedent.
  - (g) Grandparents of the decedent.
  - (h) An adult who exhibited special care and concern for the decedent.
  - (i) The persons who were acting as the guardians of the person of the decedent at the time of death.
  - (j) The persons assigned by the state of Michigan to authorize medical care for the decedent at the time of death, including public ward custodians, correctional or mental health facility personnel, or foster parents.
  - (k) Any other person that has the authority to dispose of the decedent's body, including unidentified bodies, under section 3206 of the estates and protected individuals code, 1998 PA 386, MCL 700.3206.
- (2) If there is more than 1 member of a class listed in subsection (1)(a), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), or (i) entitled to make an anatomical gift, an anatomical gift may be made by a member of the class unless that member or a person to which the gift may pass under section 10111 knows of an objection by another member of the class. If an objection is known, the gift may be made only by a majority of the members of the class who are reasonably available.
- (3) A person shall not make an anatomical gift if, at the time of the decedent's death, a person in a prior class under subsection (1) is reasonably available to make or to object to the making of an anatomical gift.

**333.10110 Document of gift; amendment or revocation of gift made under MCL 333.10109; revocation effective before incision made or invasive procedures begun.**

- (1) A person authorized to make an anatomical gift under section 10109 may make an anatomical gift by a document of gift signed by the person making the gift or by that person's oral communication that is electronically recorded or is contemporaneously reduced to a record and signed by the individual receiving the oral communication.
- (2) Subject to subsection (3), an anatomical gift by a person authorized under section 10109 may be amended or revoked orally or in a record by any member of a prior class who is reasonably available. If more than 1 member of the prior class is reasonably available, the gift made by a person authorized under section 10109 may be amended or revoked as follows:
  - (a) Amended only if a majority of the reasonably available members agree to the amending of the gift.
  - (b) Revoked only if a majority of the reasonably available members agree to the revoking of the gift or if they are equally divided as to whether to revoke the gift.

- (3) A revocation under subsection (2) is effective only if, before an incision has been made to remove a part from the donor's body or before invasive procedures have begun to prepare the recipient, the procurement organization, transplant hospital, or physician or technician knows of the revocation.

**333.10111 Persons named in document of gift; inability to transplant gift to named individual; person not named in gift document; rules; more than 1 purpose or body part set forth in document of gift; use of gift if general intent specified by certain words; organ procurement organization as custodian of organ; disposal of body part; ineffective gift; allocation of organs for transplantation or therapy.**

- (1) An anatomical gift may be made to any of the following persons named in the document of gift:
- (a) A hospital; accredited medical school, dental school, college, or university; organ procurement organization; or other appropriate person, for research or education.
  - (b) Subject to subsection (2), an individual designated by the person making the anatomical gift if the individual is the recipient of the body part.
  - (c) An eye bank or tissue bank.
- (2) If an anatomical gift to an individual under subsection (1)(b) cannot be transplanted into the individual, the body part passes pursuant to subsection (7) in the absence of an express, contrary indication by the person making the anatomical gift.
- (3) If an anatomical gift of 1 or more specific body parts or of all body parts is made in a document of gift that does not name a person described in subsection (1) but identifies the purpose for which an anatomical gift may be used, the following rules apply:
- (a) If the body part is an eye and the gift is for the purpose of transplantation or therapy, the gift passes to the appropriate eye bank.
  - (b) If the body part is tissue and the gift is for the purpose of transplantation or therapy, the gift passes to the appropriate tissue bank.
  - (c) If the body part is an organ and the gift is for the purpose of transplantation or therapy, the gift passes to the appropriate organ procurement organization as custodian of the organ.
  - (d) If the body part is an organ, an eye, or tissue and the gift is for the purpose of research or education, the gift passes to the appropriate procurement organization.
- (4) For the purpose of subsection (3) and as otherwise specified in this section, if there is more than 1 purpose of an anatomical gift set forth in the document of gift but the purposes are not set forth in any priority, the gift shall be used for transplantation or therapy, if suitable. If the gift cannot be used for transplantation or therapy, the gift may be used for research or education.
- (5) If an anatomical gift of 1 or more specific body parts is made in a document of gift that does not name a person described in subsection (1) and does not identify the purpose of the gift, the gift may be used for transplantation, therapy, research, or education pursuant to subsections (4) and (7).
- (6) If a document of gift specifies only a general intent to make an anatomical gift by words such as "donor", "organ donor", or "body donor" or by a symbol or statement of similar import, the gift may be used for transplantation, therapy, research, or education pursuant to subsections (4) and (7).
- (7) For purposes of subsections (2), (5), and (6), the following rules apply:
- (a) If the body part is an eye, the gift passes to the appropriate eye bank.
  - (b) If the body part is tissue, the gift passes to the appropriate tissue bank.
  - (c) If the body part is an organ, the gift passes to the appropriate organ procurement organization as custodian of the organ.
- (8) An anatomical gift of an organ for transplantation or therapy, other than an anatomical gift under subsection (1)(b), passes to the organ procurement organization as custodian of the organ.
- (9) If an anatomical gift does not pass pursuant to subsections (1) through (8) or the decedent's body or body part is not used for transplantation, therapy, research, or education, custody of the body or body part passes to the person under obligation to dispose of the body or body part.
- (10) A person shall not accept an anatomical gift if the person knows that the gift was not effectively made under section 10105 or 10110 or if the person knows that the decedent made a refusal under section 10107 that was not revoked.

For purposes of this subsection, if a person knows that an anatomical gift was made on a document of gift, the person is

considered to know of any amendment or revocation of the gift or any refusal or make an anatomical gift on the same document of gift.

- (11) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (1)(b), nothing in this part affects the allocation of organs for transplantation or therapy.

**333.10112 Search for document of gift or other information; persons required to make search; document to be sent to hospital for documentation; failure to discharge duties; administrative sanctions.**

- (1) As soon as practical after any necessary medical intervention or treatment, each of the following persons shall make a reasonable search of an individual who the person reasonably believes is dead or near death for a document of gift or other information identifying the individual as a donor or as an individual who made a refusal:
- (a) A law enforcement officer, firefighter, paramedic, other emergency rescuer finding the individual, or medical examiner or his or her designee.
  - (b) If no other source of the information is immediately available, a hospital, as soon as practical after the individual's arrival at the hospital.
- (2) If a document of gift or a refusal to make an anatomical gift is located by the search required by subsection (1)(a) and the individual or deceased individual to whom it relates is taken to a hospital, the person responsible for conducting the search shall immediately send the document of gift or refusal to the hospital for documentation.
- (3) A person is not subject to criminal or civil liability for failing to discharge the duties imposed by this section but may be subject to administrative sanctions.

**333.10113 Document of gift; delivery; examination and copying.**

- (1) A document of gift need not be delivered during the donor's lifetime to be effective.
- (2) Upon or after an individual's death, a person in possession of a document of gift or a refusal to make an anatomical gift with respect to the decedent shall allow examination and copying of the document of gift or refusal by a person authorized to make or object to the making of an anatomical gift with respect to the decedent or by a person to which the gift could pass under section 10111.

**333.10114 Referral of individual to procurement organization; search of records of secretary of state and donor registry; access to records; examination to ensure medical suitability; search for parents of minor donor; rights of person to which body part passes; participation of physician.**

- (1) When a hospital refers an individual at or near death to a procurement organization, the procurement organization shall make a reasonable search of the records of the secretary of state and any donor registry that it knows exists for the geographical area in which the individual resides to ascertain whether the individual has made an anatomical gift.
- (2) A procurement organization shall be allowed reasonable access to information in the records of the secretary of state to ascertain whether an individual at or near death is a donor.
- (3) When a hospital refers an individual at or near death to a procurement organization, the organization may conduct any reasonable examination necessary to ensure the medical suitability of a body part that is or could be the subject of an anatomical gift for transplantation, therapy, research, or education from a donor or a prospective donor, regardless of a prior decision to withhold or withdraw care as described in section 10121. During the examination period, measures necessary to ensure the medical suitability of the body part shall not be withdrawn unless the hospital or procurement organization knows that the individual expressed a contrary intent.
- (4) Unless prohibited by law other than this part, at any time after a donor's death, the person to which a body part passes under section 10111 may conduct any reasonable examination necessary to ensure the medical suitability of the body or body part for its intended purpose.
- (5) Unless prohibited by law other than this part, an examination under subsection (3) or (4) may include an examination of all medical and dental records or other sources of medical information pertaining to the donor or prospective donor, including those held by a medical examiner's office, correctional facility, physician's office, or other medical entity.

- (6) Upon the death of a minor who was a donor or had signed a refusal, unless a procurement organization knows that the minor is emancipated, the procurement organization shall conduct a reasonable search for the parents of the minor and provide the parents with an opportunity to revoke or amend the anatomical gift or revoke the refusal.
- (7) Upon referral by a hospital under subsection (1), a procurement organization shall make a reasonable search for any person listed in section 10109 that has priority to make an anatomical gift on behalf of a prospective donor. If a procurement organization receives information that an anatomical gift to any other person was made, amended, or revoked, it shall promptly advise the other person of all relevant information.
- (8) Subject to section 10111(9), the rights of the person to which a body part passes under section 10111 are superior to the rights of all others with respect to the body part. The person may accept or reject an anatomical gift in whole or in part. Subject to the terms of the document of gift and this part, a person that accepts an anatomical gift of an entire body may allow embalming, burial, or cremation, and use of remains in a funeral service. If the gift is of a body part, the person to which the body part passes under section 10111, upon the death of the donor and before embalming, burial, or cremation, shall cause the body part to be removed without unnecessary mutilation.
- (9) Neither the physician who attends the decedent at death nor the physician who determines the time of the decedent's death may participate in the procedures for removing or transplanting a body part from the decedent.
- (10) A physician or technician may remove a donated part from the body of a donor that the physician or technician is qualified to remove.

**333.10115 Hospital agreements or affiliations with procurement organizations.**

Each hospital in this state shall enter into agreements or affiliations with procurement organizations for coordination of procurement and use of anatomical gifts.

**333.10116 Purchase or sale of body part for transplantation or therapy; violation as felony; penalty; exception.**

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2), a person that for valuable consideration knowingly purchases or sells a body part for transplantation or therapy if removal of the body part from an individual is intended to occur after the individual's death is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 5 years or a fine of not more than \$50,000.00, or both.
- (2) A person may charge a reasonable amount for the removal, processing, preservation, quality control, storage, transportation, implantation, or disposal of a body part.

**333.10117 Intentionally falsifying, forging, concealing, defacing, or obliterating document of gift; violation as felony; penalty.**

A person that, in order to obtain a financial gain, intentionally falsifies, forges, conceals, defaces, or obliterates a document of gift, an amendment or revocation of a document of gift, or a refusal is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 5 years or a fine of not more than \$50,000.00, or both.

**333.10118 Good faith acts.**

- (1) A person that acts in good faith in accord with the terms of this part or with the anatomical gift laws of another state or a foreign country is not liable for damages in any civil or administrative action or subject to prosecution in any criminal proceeding.
- (2) Neither the person making an anatomical gift nor the donor's estate is liable for any injury or damage that results from the making or use of the gift.
- (3) In determining whether an anatomical gift has been made, amended, or revoked under this part, a person may rely upon representations of an individual listed in section 10109(1)(b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), or (h) relating to the individual's relationship to the donor or prospective donor unless the person knows that the representation is untrue.

**333.10119 Validity of document of gift; execution; presumption.**

- (1) A document of gift is valid if executed pursuant to any of the following:
  - (a) This part.
  - (b) The laws of the state or country where it was executed.
  - (c) The laws of the state or country where the person making the anatomical gift was domiciled, had a place of residence, or was a national at the time the document of gift was executed.
- (2) If a document of gift is valid under this section, the law of this state governs the interpretation of the document of gift.
- (3) A person may presume that a document of gift or amendment of an anatomical gift is valid unless that person knows that it was not validly executed or was revoked.

**333.10120 Donor registry; establishment by organ procurement organization; duties of secretary of state; requirements to be met by donor registry; disclosure of identifiable information; donor registry not established by or under contract with state.**

- (1) The organ procurement organization may establish or contract for the establishment of a donor registry.
- (2) As provided for in section 2 of 1972 PA 222, MCL 28.292, and section 310 of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.310, the secretary of state shall inquire of each applicant, licensee, or state identification card holder, in person or by mail, whether the individual agrees to participate in a donor registry as described in this part. The secretary of state shall maintain a record of an individual who indicates a willingness to have his or her name placed on the donor registry. The secretary of state shall maintain the donor registry in a manner that provides electronic access, including, but not limited to, the transfer of data, to the organ procurement organization or its successor organization, tissue banks, and eye banks. The secretary of state shall administer the donor registry in a manner that complies with subsections (3) and (4).
- (3) A donor registry under this section shall meet all of the following requirements:
  - (a) Be accessible to a procurement organization to allow it to obtain the name, address, and date of birth of persons on the donor registry to determine, at or near death of the donor or a prospective donor, whether the donor or prospective donor has made an anatomical gift.
  - (b) Provide electronic access, including, but not limited to, the transfer of data for purposes of subdivision (a) on a 7-day-a-week, 24-hour-a-day basis at no cost to the procurement organization.
- (4) Personally identifiable information on a donor registry about a donor or prospective donor shall not be used or disclosed without the express consent of the donor, prospective donor, or person that made the anatomical gift for any purpose other than to determine, at or near death of the donor or prospective donor, whether the donor or prospective donor has made, amended, or revoked an anatomical gift.
- (5) This section does not prohibit any person from creating or maintaining a donor registry that is not established by or under contract with this state. A donor registry that is not established by or under contract with this state shall do all of the following:
  - (a) Comply with subsections (3) and (4).
  - (b) Within 30 days of its establishment, notify the organ procurement organization of its establishment.
  - (c) Within 30 days of its establishment, give the organ procurement organization full access to its records of anatomical gifts and amendments to or revocations of anatomical gifts.

**333.10121 Definitions; medical suitability of body part; conflict with declaration or advance health care directive or enrollment in hospice program; resolution.**

- (1) As used in this section:
  - (a) "Advance health care directive" means a power of attorney for health care or a record signed or authorized by a prospective donor containing the prospective donor's direction concerning a health care decision for the prospective donor. Advance health care directive includes a durable power of attorney and designation of patient advocate under part 5 of article V of the estates and protected individuals code, 1998 PA 386, MCL 700.5501 to 700.5520.
  - (b) "Declaration" means a record signed by a prospective donor specifying the circumstances under which a life support system may be withheld or withdrawn from the prospective donor.
  - (c) "Health care decision" means any decision regarding the health care of the prospective donor.
- (2) If a prospective donor has a declaration or advance health care directive or is enrolled in a hospice program, and the terms of

the declaration, directive, or enrollment and the express or implied terms of a potential anatomical gift are in conflict with regard to the administration of measures necessary to ensure the medical suitability of a body part for transplantation or therapy, the prospective donor's attending physician, the prospective donor, and, if appropriate, the hospice medical director shall confer to resolve the conflict. If the prospective donor is incapable of resolving the conflict, an agent acting under the prospective donor's declaration, directive, or hospice enrollment, or, if none or the agent is not reasonably available, another person authorized by law other than this part to make health care decisions on behalf of the prospective donor, shall act for the donor to resolve the

conflict. The authorized parties shall attempt to resolve the conflict as expeditiously as possible. Authorized parties may obtain information relevant to the resolution of the conflict from the appropriate procurement organization and any other person authorized to make an anatomical gift for the prospective donor under section 10109. Before resolution of the conflict, measures necessary to ensure the medical suitability of the body part are permissible if they are not contraindicated by appropriate end-of-life care as determined by the stated wishes of the prospective donor, by a written advance health care directive, or, if appropriate, by the hospice medical director.

### **333.10122 Uniformity of law among states.**

In applying and construing this part, consideration shall be given to the need to promote uniformity of the law with respect to its subject matter among states that enact it.

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