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Give Life As An Organ Donor



February 14 is National Donor Day. Take the day to learn more about becoming an organ donor.

Statistics from the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network illustrate the value of and acute need for organ donations.

You can save **eight lives** by becoming an organ donor.

A new patient joins the waiting list for an organ transplant **every nine minutes.**

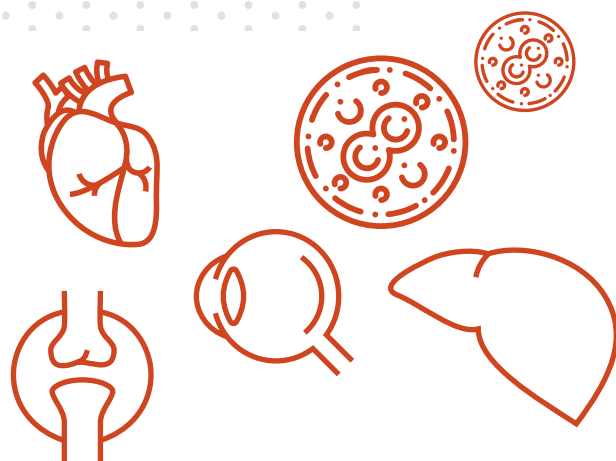
More than **106,000 people** in the U.S. are waiting for an organ transplant.

There's a lot to think about if you're considering becoming an organ donor. **Here are seven things to know.**



1. All adults in the U.S. can register to donate their organs.

2. Many parts of the body are **eligible for donation**, including the skin, corneas, heart valves, bone, bone marrow and stem cells, and eight organs.



3. You may be able to donate **even if you have a medical condition.**



4. Being an organ donor **won't affect** the medical care you receive.



5. You can sign up to become an organ donor at **organdonor.gov** or at your local **motor vehicle department office.**

6. It's important to **tell your family members** that you're an organ donor so they know your wishes.



7. You can **remove your name** from the donor registry at any time.

Find a healthcare provider at Weill Cornell Medicine to discuss your options and better understand how your donation can save a life.



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