



Body Donation Program
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NEXT-OF-KIN DONATION FORM

Pursuant to the Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Law, I (we) donate the decedent's body as an unrestricted anatomical gift to Western Michigan University Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine to be used in the advancement of medical science, teaching, and study.

I (We) understand there is the potential the donated body may not be accepted by the medical school. This decision is based upon an evaluation for infections that may be transmissible after death, the height and weight of the body, whether an autopsy was performed, and postmortem changes. If the medical school determines the body is not suitable for donation, the next-of-kin are responsible for arranging with a funeral director for either burial or cremation.

DONOR'S LEGAL NAME AND INFORMATION			
First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
Address			
City	State	Zip	
County	Phone		
Sex	Race	Ancestry	
Social Security Number		Marital Status	
Date of Birth	Birth City	Birth County	
Birth State	Name at Birth/Other Names Used		
Education	Usual Occupation	Type of Business/Industry	
Veteran?	If yes, when?		
Father's Name (First Middle Last)		Mother's Maiden Name (First Middle Last)	

NEXT-OF-KIN AUTHORIZING DONATION		
Length of Donation 4 years 6 years Forever	Disposition of Remains Returned to next-of-kin Buried at WMed memorial Remains will be retained in WMed Skeletal Collection	
First Name	Last Name	Relationship
Address		
City	State	Zip
Phone	Alternate Phone	
Signature		Date
First Name	Last Name	Relationship
Address		
City	State	Zip
Phone	Alternate Phone	
Signature		Date
Witness 1 Name (printed)	Witness 1 Signature	Date
Witness 2 Name (printed)	Witness 2 Signature	Date

Upon the death of a donor, immediately call **1.844.337.6001 extension 113**. The potential donor will be evaluated and arrangements made for transport, if indicated.

<i>For Office Use Only</i>
Verified By: _____ Date: _____

Please print, sign form, and distribute one copy to each: Donee (WMed) | Donor | Physician/Attorney/Relative or Friend

Selected provisions of the Revised Michigan Anatomical Gift Law, Public Act 368 of 1978, amended as Public Act 39 of 2008, are provided below. The full statute may be downloaded at <http://med.wmich.edu/giving/anatomical-gifts/>.

PLEASE NOTE: Although the information in this guide is about legal issues, it is not intended as legal advice or as a substitute for the advice of your own counsel. While a reasonable effort has been made to compile complete and accurate information in this guide, WMU Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine does not assume any liability resulting from any errors or omissions.

Article 10 Part 101 Excerpts from Act No. 368 Public Acts of 1978

Sec. 10102. (1) An individual of sound mind and 18 years of age or more may give all or any physical part of the individual's body for any purpose specified in section 10103, the gift to take effect upon death.

Sec. 10103. The following persons may become donees of gifts of bodies or physical parts thereof for the purposes stated:

- (b) Any accredited medical or dental school, college or university for education, Research, advancement of medical or dental science, therapy, or transplantation.

Sec. 10104. (1) A gift of all or a physical part of the body under section 10102 (1) may be made by will. The gift becomes effective upon the death of the testator without waiting for probate. If the will is not probated, or if it is declared invalid for testamentary purposes, the gift, to the extent that it has been acted upon in good faith, is nevertheless valid and effective.

Sec. 10106. If the gift is made by the donor to a specified donee, the will, card or other document, or an executed copy thereof, may be delivered to the donee to expedite the appropriate procedures immediately after death. Delivery is not necessary to the validity of the gift. The will, card or other document, or an executed copy thereof, may be deposited in any hospital, bank, or storage facility or registry office that accepts it for safekeeping or for facilitation of procedures after death. On request of any interested party upon or after the donor's death, the person in possession shall produce the document for examination.

Sec. 10107. (1) If the will, card or other document or executed copy thereof, has been delivered to a specified donee, the donor may amend or revoke the gift by any of the following methods:

- (a) The execution and delivery to the donee of a signed statement.
- (b) An oral statement made in the presence of 2 persons and communicated to the donee.
- (c) A statement during a terminal illness or injury addressed to an attending Physician and communicated to the donee.
- (d) A signed card or document found on his person or in his effects.

(2) Any document of gift which has not been delivered to the donee may be revoked by the donor in the manner set out in subsection (1), or by destruction, cancellation or mutilation of the document and all executed copies thereof.

(3) Any gift made by a will may also be amended or revoked in the manner provided for amendment or revocation of wills, or as provided in subsection (1).

Sec. 10108. (1) The donee may accept or reject the gift. If the donee accepts a gift of the entire body, the surviving spouse, next of kin or other persons having authority to direct and arrange for the funeral and burial or other disposition of the body may, subject to the terms of the gift, authorize embalming and the use of the body in a funeral service. If the gift is a part of the body, the donee, upon death of the donor and prior to embalming, shall cause the part to be removed without unnecessary mutilation. After removal of the part, custody of the remainder of the body vests in the surviving spouse, next of kin or such other persons having authority to direct and arrange for the funeral and burial or other disposition of the remainder of the body.