

# **WHOLE BODY DONATION**

### Make a Difference

Choosing whole-body donation with UTN supports the continued advancement of medical technology to help those of tomorrow.

"Without donated tissue, we would be utilizing plastic manikins or computer generated training programs which do not remotely compare to the realistic training opportunity provided with human tissue."

**Dennis K. Wentz, MD,** Former Director of Continuing Professional Development at the American Medical Association

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT BODY DONATION

#### WHAT IS WHOLE-BODY DONATION?

Whole-body donation allows for an individual to donate their body to science at end-of-life for medical advancements. This includes surgical device research and development, advanced disease-based research and hands-on bio skills training.

#### WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO DONATE TO SCIENCE?

There is no substitute for human tissue when studying the body. Medical professionals and students benefit from human tissue which allow them to develop and practice their skills.

#### **AM I ELIGIBLE TO DONATE?**

UTN accepts most BMI's, upper ages, cancers, dementias and much more. To protect our medical professionals, individuals with HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis B or Hepatitis C are not eligible.

#### WHAT IS INCLUDED WITH DONATION?

Removal from the place of passing, transportation to one of our facilities, two certified copies of the death certificate and cremation. The cremated remains are returned to the family within 4-6 weeks.

#### **HOW DO I DONATE?**

For those who are actively dying or have passed, contact UTN immediately at 877.738.6111 to complete a medical-social history questionnaire. An individual who is accepted into the UTN program prior to passing, will receive a **Donor Security Certificate**, which is a secured acceptance into the program.



United Tissue Network (UTN) is nonprofit, AATB accredited, whole-body donation program that exists to empower people who want to make a difference through whole-body donation by uniting them with professionals dedicated to the advancement of medical technology, training and education. OKLAHOMA ARIZONA FLORIDA

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