

# Talking About Donation



## Appropriate Terms

## Inappropriate Terms

"Recover" organs

*Organs and tissues are donated and recovered*

"Harvest" organs

"Deceased" donation

"Cadaveric" donation

"Mechanical" or "ventilator" support

"Life Support"

"Donation after cardiac death"

"Non-heart beating donation"

"Deteriorating to brain death"

"Progressing to brain death"

"Determine brain death"

"Declared brain dead"

"Consent given"

"Obtained consent" or "got consent"

"Donated organs and tissues"

"Donated body parts" or "organ yield"

"Tissue preparation facility" or  
"prepared tissue"

"Tissue processor" or "processed  
tissue"