



ABOUT ILLINOIS' NEW ORGAN/TISSUE DONOR REGISTRY

New registry empowers organ and tissue donors, ensures that individual's wishes will be respected.

Illinois' new Organ/Tissue Donor Registry is a confidential computerized database that documents a person's decision regarding donation.

Under state law effective Jan. 1, 2006, registration in the registry makes your decision to be an organ/tissue donor legally binding. Additional witnesses or family consent is no longer required. By signing on to the registry, you can be assured that your wishes will be honored.

Re-registration is necessary for Illinois residents who registered before Jan. 1, 2006.

If you signed up to be an organ & tissue donor before Jan. 1, 2006, a family member or other legal authority must still give additional consent for you to donate. Registering after Jan. 1, 2006, makes your decision to be a donor legally binding without the need for any other approval.

Re-registration is quick, easy and free.

Illinoisans can join the new registry by visiting www.donatelifellinois.org; visiting any Illinois state driver's license facility; or by calling the Illinois Secretary of State Organ/Tissue Donor Program at 800/210-2106. Online registration takes just 30 seconds; you must have a state ID or driver's license number and be at least 18 years old.

To learn more about organ and tissue donation, visit www.giftofhope.org.

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