## CONSENT TO TREATMENT / PROCEDURE(S)
### Human Tissue and Organ Donation

### Deceased Donor

**Who May Give Consent**

An Adult donor who gave consent prior to his or her death, or

If the Adult donor’s death is imminent or has died prior to giving consent or the person was a Minor, then a person in one of the following classes and in the following order of priority, may provide consent:

1. The spouse or Adult Interdependent Partner of the donor if they are not Estranged;
2. An Adult child of the donor;
3. A parent or Guardian of the donor;
4. An Adult sibling of the donor; or
5. Any other Adult next of kin of the donor

### Living Donor

**Who May Give Consent**

- An Adult with Capacity

If a Patient is an

- Adult without Capacity to Consent:
  1. An Agent where the Personal Directive authorizes the Agent to provide such a consent
  2. A Guardian for the Adult where a court order authorizes the Guardian to provide such a consent

If the Patient is a

- Minor:
  1. A Guardian for the Minor may give Informed Consent if another Guardian would not refuse to give Informed Consent.
  2. Donation of a Minor’s tissue or organs requires consent and approval by an Independent Assessment Committee of the hospital that may procure the donated tissue or organ.

### Who is Responsible to Obtain Consent

- The Donation Agency is responsible for obtaining Informed Consent.

- In certain circumstances a Health Practitioner trained in tissue and organ donation screening and in the donation and procurement consent process can obtain consent.

For further information on who can obtain consent, please contact:

- **Southern Alberta Organ and Tissue Donation Program** through the Regional On-Call Application (ROCA) or the Foothills Medical Switchboard at 403-944-1110 or visit the website at [https://insite.albertahealthservices.ca/tools/Page6492.aspx](https://insite.albertahealthservices.ca/tools/Page6492.aspx)

- **Human Organ Procurement and Exchange (HOPE) Program** for organ donation and the **Comprehensive Tissue Centre (CTC)** for tissue donation they may both be reached through the University of Alberta Hospital locating at 1-866-407-1970.

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