



# Organ Donation: How the Process Works Worksheet



## Have you ever wondered how the organ donation process actually works?

Watch the “Organ Donation: How the Process Works” video and fill out this worksheet to gain a better understanding of the basics. What you learn may surprise you!

1. What key requirements must someone meet to be eligible as an organ donor?  
(circle all that apply)

- Pass away in a hospital
- Be disease-free
- Pass away while connected to ventilated support
- Experience brain death
- Under the age of 65
- Experience a non-survivable injury

2. Although anyone can register as an organ, eye and tissue donor – what percentage of people actually qualify to become an organ donor upon death?

- 1%
- 25%
- 50%
- 75%
- 100%

3. About how many people in the U.S. pass away every year?

- 850,000
- 1.7 million
- 2.8 million
- 5.2 million
- 8.4 million

4. About how many people in the U.S. end up becoming donors each year?

- 5,000
- 10,000
- 20,000
- 50,000
- 100,000

5. About how many people in the U.S. are waiting for life saving transplants?

- 5,000
- 10,000
- 20,000
- 50,000
- 100,000

6. How often is someone in need of a new transplant?

- Every 10 minutes
- Every day
- Every week
- Every month

7. When it comes to the process of matching donors with recipients, which of the following factors **CAN** play a role? (*circle all that apply*)

- Health
- Ethnicity
- Tissue type
- Gender
- Donor distance
- Body size
- Religion
- Blood type
- Time spent waiting
- Financial status

8. When it comes to the process of matching donors with recipients, which of the following factors **DO NOT** play a role? (*circle all that apply*)

- Health
- Ethnicity
- Tissue type
- Gender
- Donor distance
- Body size
- Religion
- Blood type
- Time spent waiting
- Financial status