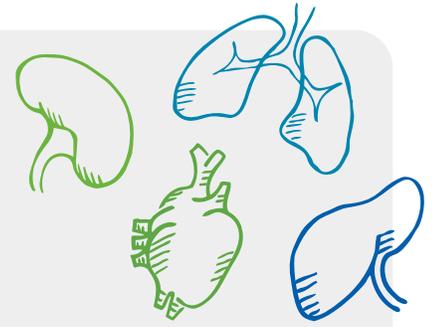


Facts on organ donation and transplant in BC



One organ donor can save up to 8 lives.



Did you know?

- 1** Your registration in BC Transplant's Organ Donor Registry is an official record of your decision on organ donation. **If you aren't registered, your family will decide for you.**
- 2** **You are more likely** to need a transplant than you are to be an organ donor.
- 3** **Less than 1% of people** die in a way that allows them to be an organ donor.
- 4** **To become an organ donor**, a person must be in a hospital Intensive Care Unit and be on a ventilator.
- 5** Donation is considered **only after all life-saving efforts** are made and it's certain a person will not survive.
- 6** **Two doctors**, not involved in transplant, must declare death before organ donation can proceed.
- 7** You may still be able to donate if **you have a medical condition**. Register your decision and the specialists will determine if you can.
- 8** There is **no age limit** for organ donation. The oldest organ donor in Canada was 92 years old!
- 9** **Anyone can register their decision**. If you are under 19 years old, your parents have to sign.
- 10** **You only need to register once**.
- 11** Once you've registered your decision, take the time to **talk to your loved ones** about your wishes.
- 12** A decal on your driver's licence or care card is **no longer enough**.
- 13** Not sure if you've registered? **Verify online at transplant.bc.ca** with your Personal Health Number.

"The fact that I can tell people that my son Daniel had signed his organ donation card and gave the gift of life to four people fills me with pride. Signing an organ donation card is the ultimate act of kindness."

Jill Martens, mom of an organ donor

Take two minutes and save a life.

Register as an organ donor at transplant.bc.ca

480 lives saved



31
heart
transplants



46
lung
transplants



68
liver
transplants



331
kidney
transplants



thanks to the
life-saving
gifts from

117 deceased
donors

120 living kidney
donor transplants



548
hospital
referrals



5182 British Columbians are
alive today because of
an organ transplant



more than
1.5 million British Columbians
have registered their
organ donor decision



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