## Frequently Asked Questions

## Who donates?

People from all walks of life. Some people donate for altruistic reasons, some donate for financial reasons. The one thing all donors have in common is the desire to help others.

#### *Is there a cost?*

No. Anatomy Sharing Network pays for all the costs of the donation process, two certified copies of the death certificate, cremation, urn, and return of the cremains to the family.

Does the Anatomy Sharing Network sell my body?

No. Networks, such as ours, are fee based which means we recover our expenses and are paid for our services by the educator, researcher, or doctor when a donor is placed.

### Who can donate a body?

Almost everyone is a candidate regardless of age or current state of health. Age, disease, or state of health does not eliminate an individual from being a donor, but may affect what tissue can be used from the donated body.

What if my family wants a funeral service? A funeral service with viewing will not be possible through the donation process. However, memorial services at a funeral home or other location are still possible.

For more FAQ visit www.anatomysharing.com.





Contact Anatomy Sharing Network to learn more about our Whole Body Donor Program or to request a no-obligation donation packet.

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Anatomy Sharing Network helps the hands that heal by facilitating whole body donation for educators, researchers, and doctors in the advancement of medical science.

WE WILL ALWAYS TREAT FAMILIES WITH COMPASSION AND DONORS WITH RESPECT.



# Helping the Hands that Heal

The Anatomy Sharing Network is committed to making the whole body donation process dignified. We understand this is an important decision and that is why we treat both the donors and donor's family with respect. The Anatomy Sharing Network maintains the dignity of the deceased, while helping doctors, researchers, and educators improve the quality of life for future generations.

Through research and training, doctors learn new lifesaving procedures and refine old techniques. Whole body donation makes it possible to find treatments for cancer, Alzheimer's, multiple sclerosis and more. Providing donors to be used in the lab setting is necessary for medical science to continue to advance.

# WHY DONATE?

Whole body donation has been called the humanitarian alternative to burial or cremation. At a time when there is a perpetual need for whole body donation, Anatomy Sharing Network is assisting current and future doctors by placing generous donors with the hands that heal.

When Doctors, Researchers, and Educators have access to anatomical tissue:

- Less invasive surgical techniques are discovered, refined, and then taught, improving quality of life for thousands of patients every year.
- · Diseases are researched and cures are discovered.
- Students are taught the foundation of medicine, gross anatomy and surgical techniques.
- Emergency Doctors and Paramedics learn lifesaving procedures.
- · Researchers develop new medical device products and equipment.
- · Robotic Surgery is learned and practiced.

### **DONATION PROCESS**

The donation process with Anatomy Sharing Network is a very dignified process. The process is designed to be simple for you and your family. Anatomy Sharing Network covers all the cost of the donation process, including final cremation and returning of the cremains to the family in an urn you select from our Tribute Urn Selection.

Steps in the body donation process:

- · Anatomy Sharing Network is notified by the health care facility or next-of-kin.
- · Arrangements are made for transportation.
- Two Certified copies of the death certificate will be issued to the family as soon as the certificate is certified by the local Health Department.
- · Serology testing is conducted on the tissue.
- · Tissue is entrusted to medical researchers and educators.
- · Free cremation and return of the cremains to the family.

If you wish to be part of the cure please call us at 1-866-241-5410 or visit us at www.anatomysharing.com.



# PRE-REGISTER

By planning in advance and deciding on whole body donation you can relieve a lot of stress on your loved ones. All of your information will be kept in the strictest confidence. If you pre-register and are accepted through our Assured Acceptance Program you and your family are guaranteed that we will accept your body donation upon your passing.

Whole body donation totally eliminates funeral costs. You and your family have the peace of mind through our Assured Acceptance Program, in knowing your donation will not be declined at the time of passing. There are no costs associated with whole body donation.

