“Without donated tissue, we would be utilizing plastic manikins or computer generated training programs which do not remotely compare to the realistic training opportunity provided with human tissue.”

-Dennis K. Wentz, MD, Former Director of Continuing Professional Development at the American Medical Association

WHOLE-BODY DONATION

Make a Difference

Choosing whole-body donation supports the continued advancement of medical technology to help those of tomorrow.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is whole-body donation?
A: Whole-body donation allows for an individual to donate their body to science at end-of-life for medical advancements. This includes surgical device research and development, advanced disease-based research and hands-on bio skills training.

Q: Why is it important to donate to science?
A: There is no substitute for human tissue when studying the body. Medical professionals and students benefit from human tissue which allow them to develop and practice their skills.

Q: Am I eligible to donate?
A: UTN accepts all BMIs, upper ages, cancers, dementias and much more. To protect our medical professionals, individuals with HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis B or Hepatitis C are not eligible.

Q: What is included with donation?
A: Removal from the place of passing, transportation to one of our facilities, two certified copies of the death certificate and cremation. The cremated remains are returned to the family within 4-6 weeks.

Q: How do I donate?
A: For those who are actively dying or have passed, contact UTN immediately at 877.738.6111 to complete a medical-social history questionnaire. An individual who is accepted into the UTN program prior to passing, will receive a Donor Security Certificate, which is a secured acceptance into the program.