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ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION

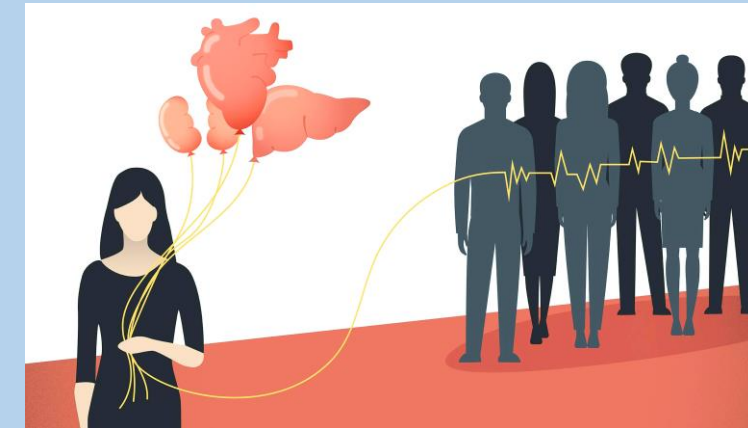
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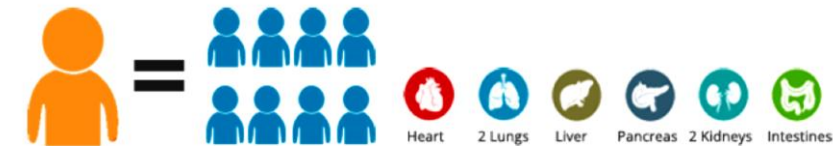
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ONE organ and tissue donor can **SAVE 8 LIVES**



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Abstract

Organ and tissue donation is the process of permitting one's organ(s) or tissue(s) to be retrieved for transplantation in another person, either by written consent while the donor is alive, or subsequent to the donor's death after written consent of the next-of-kin. Living donors can donate a kidney or sections of the liver, and surgical residues like bone removed during hip or knee replacement surgeries. The process of organ and tissue donation is governed by the Transplantation of Human Organs and Tissues Act, 1994.

In persons suffering from end stage organ failure, organ transplantation is life saving. Donated tissues on the other hand, improve the quality of life of patients suffering from debilitating medical conditions. Unfortunately, there is a huge gap between the requirement for organs and tissues and their availability. Public awareness of the need for organs and tissues, the donation process and the law that governs it, is an important step in closing this gap, as it motivates people to give their consent when approached by medical personnel for organ and/or tissue donation.