

LifeSource

ORGAN, EYE AND TISSUE DONATION

# LifeSource Donor Care Units

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# Donor Care Units (DCU)



*DCUs are Not New*

**Mid-America Transplant in St. Louis, MO:  
Established 2001.**

**Different Models Nationwide:**

- 1. OPO Operated*
- 2. Hospital Based*



*National Academies of Sciences,  
Engineering, Medicine (NASEM)*

**2022 [NASEM Report](#) recommends  
establishment of DCUs to:**

*“Better serve donors and families, increase  
cost-effectiveness, and foster innovation in  
organ rehabilitation and donor intervention  
research” (National Academies of Sciences,  
Engineering and Medicine, 2022).*



*Staffing*

**Dedicated beds for donors in a dedicated  
space.**

**Dedicated operating room with trained  
staff, reserved specifically for organ  
procurement surgery.**

*Bedside care staffed by hospital.  
Donor management staffed by OPO.*

# Donor Care Units Nationwide



# DCU - Basics

## Where will these DCUs be?



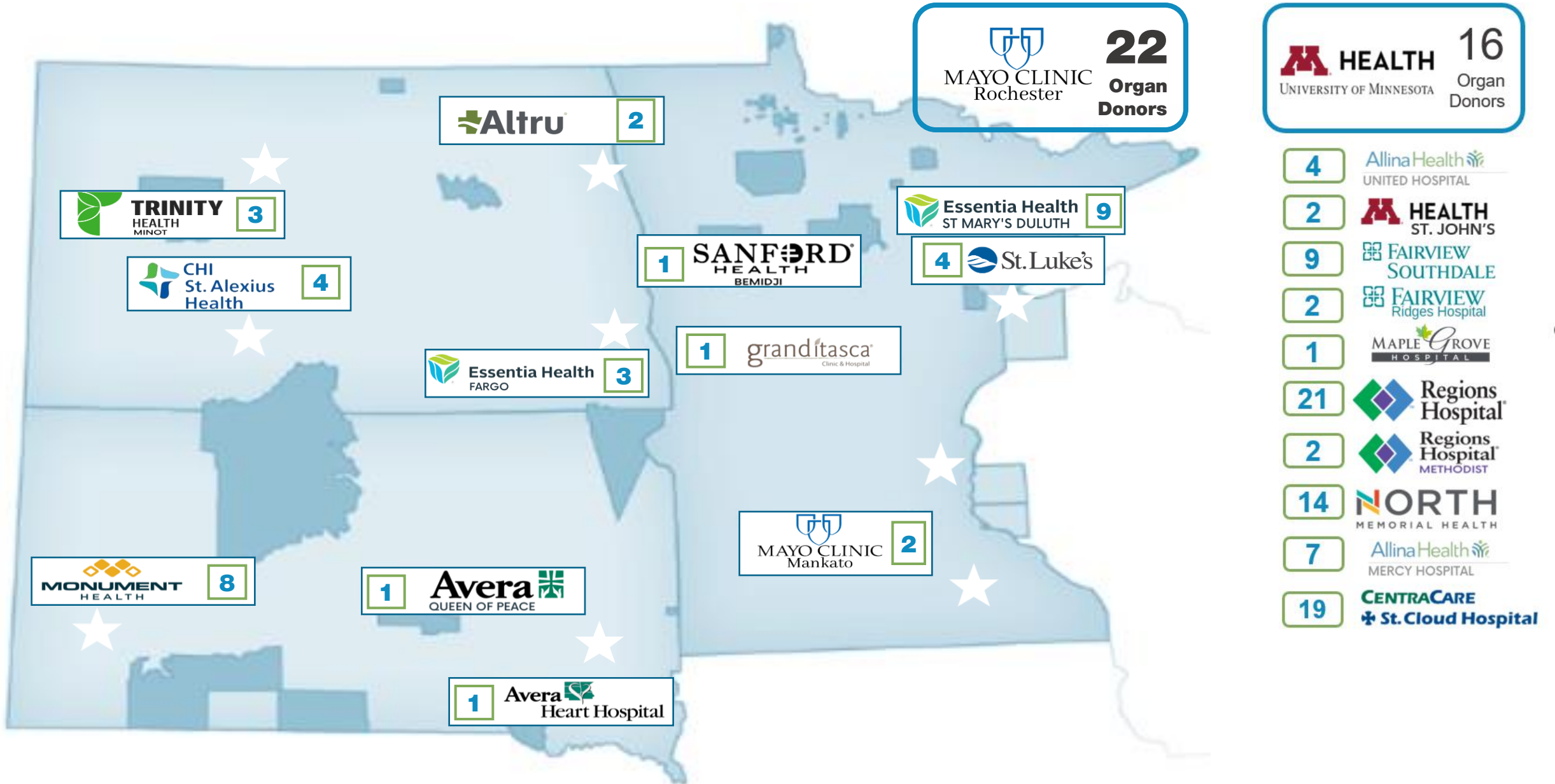
## What will the process look like?

- Donation starts at hospital:
  - Referral to LifeSource, brain death declaration, family care, honor walks and other key tenets of Hospital Donation Program.
- Donation completed at DCU:
  - Coordination, allocation process (based on original hospital location) and organ procurement will occur at the DCU.

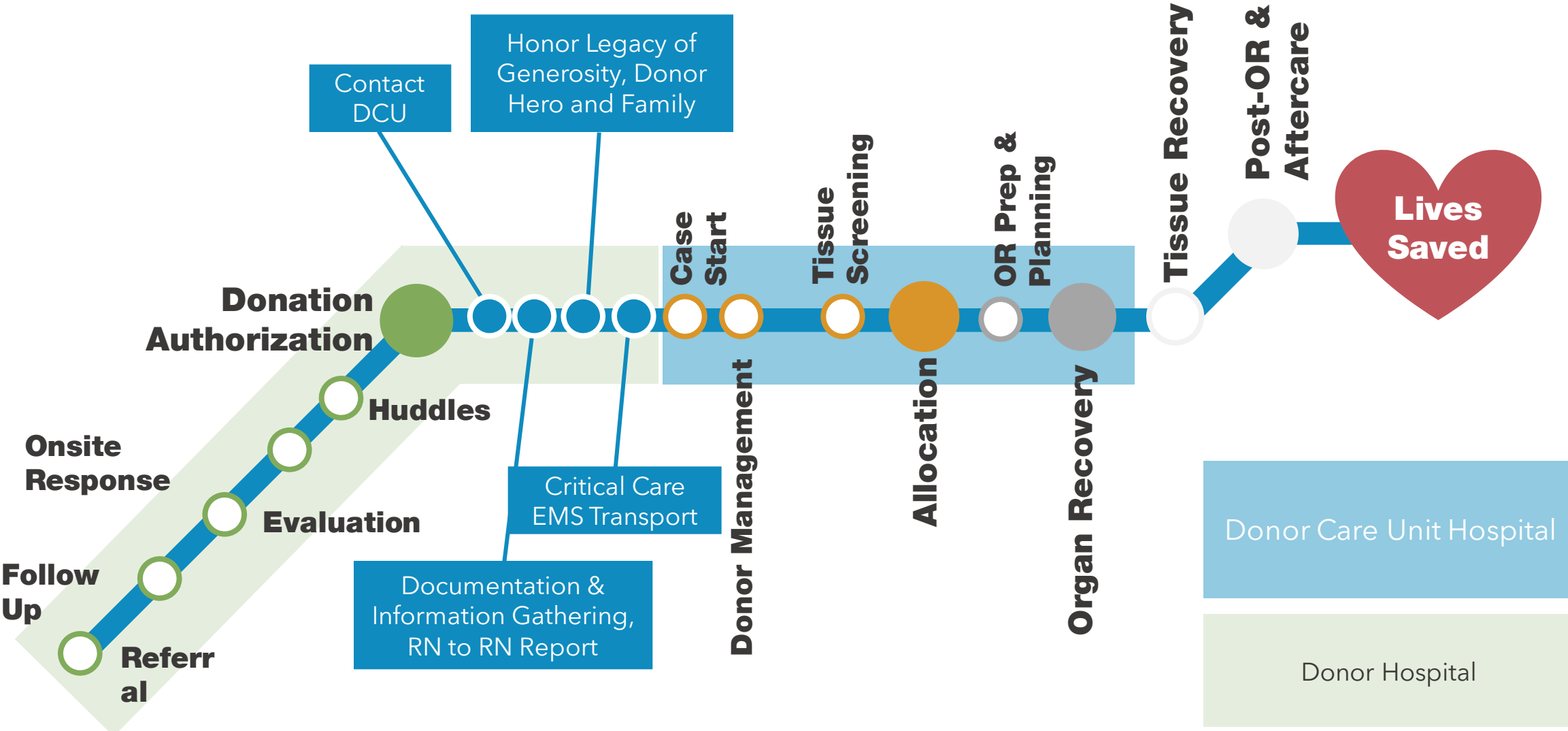
## When will the transfer of donors to DCUs begin?

September 2023

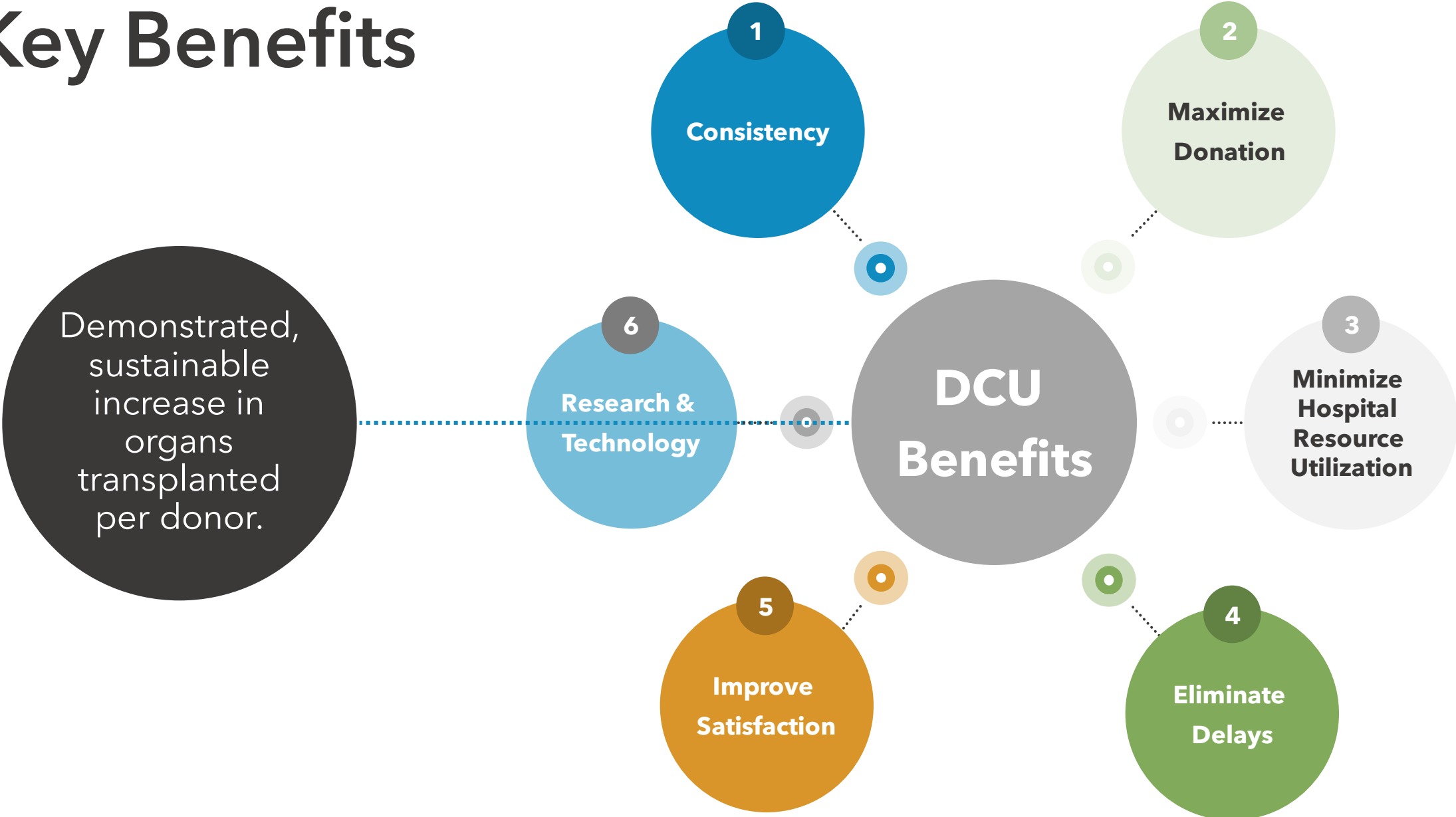
# DCU Transfers by Hospital (2022 donor levels)



# The Donation Process



# Key Benefits





# To Consider:

- Reference FAQ / Donor Care Unit Resource Guide for Hospitals
- What further questions would you like to discuss?
- What is current awareness and understanding of donor care unit plans?
- What additional groups or individuals would it be useful for us to connect with?
- What steps are needed prior to first transfer (communications, access to CareEverywhere)?





# DCU Logistics 2023 (U of M only)

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University of Minnesota Medical Center – East Bank, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor ICUs

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Donors have the Medical Center's highest priority for bed placement

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The brain-dead donor will be discharged from North Memorial

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The donor will be assigned a new medical record number and become a LifeSource patient (as happens currently)

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LifeSource works with the UofM to have the donor admitted to the UofM Medical Center

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SICU Intensivists are the accepting providers at the UofM

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North Memorial nurses provide care in collaboration with LifeSource until the donor is transferred

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Donor testing/procedures will be done at the DCU (Some blood work may be requested while the donor is at North)

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Nurse to nurse connect prior to transfer

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Provider to provider connect prior to transfer

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Honor Walk and Flag Raising continue as part of the North donation program

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Transport via M Health Fairview EMS

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Family may say goodbye at the hospital or follow their loved one to the DCU (Experience to date shows families saying goodbye at the hospital)

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People/printed resources available for families who chose to go to the UofM

# DCU Logistics 2024 (U of M only)

Dedicated DCU space intended to open 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2024

University of Minnesota West Bank

DCU on the ground floor of the current Medical Building across the street from Masonic Children's Hospital

Repurposing entire first floor space

More convenient surface parking available on the grounds of the medical building

The brain-dead donor will be discharged from North Memorial

The donor will be assigned a new medical record number and become a LifeSource patient (as happens currently)

Donor admitted to Donor Care Unit

North Memorial nurses provide care in collaboration with LifeSource until the donor is transferred

Donor testing/procedures will be done at the DCU (Some blood work may be requested while the donor is at North)

Honor Walk and Flag Raising continue as part of the North donation program

Transport via M Health Fairview EMS

Family may say goodbye at the hospital or follow their loved one to the DCU

People/printed resources for families who chose to go to the UofM

DCU family services to include concierge support, comfortable lounge/waiting areas, beverage services, internet, T.V.

# Transfer Information Guide

**M Health Fairview Clinics and University of Minnesota Medical Center (East Bank)**  
500 Harvard St. SE, Minneapolis, MN 55455  
612.273.3000



Scan QR code for a campus map and additional parking guidance



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### Parking:

- Please Park in the patient/visitor parking ramp at 659 Delaware SE.
- If the parking ramp is full, or if you prefer, you can use valet parking which is operational 24/7 at the main entrance of the medical center. The cost for valet is the same as ramp parking.
- Another option is to park in the Oak St. parking ramp a couple of blocks away.

### Entrance:

Please enter the hospital through the main entrance and check in at the desk. Staff will direct you to your loved one's room.

**Visiting Hours:** Standard visiting hours are from 8:30 AM – 8:30 PM. Hours may be flexed based on need and circumstance. Please ask your nurse for specific directions at the time of your visit.

**Cafeteria:** The cafeteria is located on the 8th floor and a coffee shop on the ground floor.

### Cafeteria hours:

- Sunday 7:00 AM – 7:30 PM
- Monday 6:30 AM – 7:30 PM
- Tuesday 6:30 AM – 7:30 PM
- Wednesday 6:30 AM – 7:30 PM
- Thursday 6:30 AM – 7:30 PM
- Friday 6:30 AM – 7:30 PM
- Saturday 7:00 AM – 7:30 PM

**LifeSource**  
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Main Phone: 612.800.6100



*On behalf of North Memorial and LifeSource weas members, may you find solace in the knowledge of your loved one's life-saving legacy.*

**NORTH**  
MEMORIAL HEALTH  
3300 Oakdale Ave N  
Robbinsdale, MN 55422  
Main Phone: 763-520-5200



## M Health Fairview Clinics and University of Minnesota Medical Center – East Bank



### Locations

**M Health Fairview Clinics and Surgery Center – Minneapolis**  
909 Fulton St. SE, Minneapolis, MN 55455

**M Health Fairview University of Minnesota Medical Center – East Bank**  
500 Harvard St. SE, Minneapolis, MN 55455

**Phillips-Wangensteen Building**  
516 Delaware St. SE, Minneapolis, MN 55455

### Directions to the East Bank

From I-94 exit 235B, Huron Boulevard, turn left on Fulton Street. Patients and visitors coming to the Clinics and Surgery Center will enter the valet/arrival plaza from Fulton Street.

### Parking Information:

#### Patient/Visitor Ramp

This ramp is available for self-parking for visits to the University of Minnesota Medical Center and the Phillips-Wangensteen Building. It is located on Delaware St. between Harvard St. SE and Walnut St.

### West Lot

Located across from the Clinics and Surgery Center main entrance, this surface lot is a convenient option for patients. Enter on Ontario Street. Parking attendants are available most hours to assist.

### Oak Street Ramp

Oak Street Ramp is also available for self-parking. Enter at the Ontario Street SE entrance (one block north of the Clinics and Surgery Center main entrance.) Do not enter the ramp from Oak Street – this entrance is not staffed and is further from the Clinics and Surgery Center main entrance.

### Valet

For patients with limited mobility, valet parking is available Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Phillips-Wangensteen Building does not offer valet parking.

### For additional information about accommodations, transportation, parking options and rates, visit:

[mhealthfairview.org/CSC](http://mhealthfairview.org/CSC)

[mhealthfairview.org](http://mhealthfairview.org)

(Mayo only)

# Transfer Information Guide

## Mayo Clinic – St. Mary's Campus

Address: 1216 2nd St SW, Rochester, MN 55902

### Parking:

Two Mayo Clinic ramps are available at the Saint Mary's Campus:

- Mary Brigh Ramp (This underground ramp is accessed just west of the main entrance to Mayo Clinic Hospital, Saint Mary's Campus)
- Generose Ramp (Located just east of the Generose Building)

### Entrance:

You will want to enter the hospital through the Main Entrance of the Mary Brigh Building off 16th Ave SW & check in at the desk, where they will direct you to the patient's room.

### Other Information:

At the Saint Mary's Campus, the patient and visitor cafeteria is on the main floor of the Francis Building. It features a complete breakfast menu, hot entrees, pizza, grilled and deli sandwiches, soups, salad bar and desserts. All food is available for takeout. The Saint Mary's Campus visitor cafeteria is open seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

- Breakfast 7:00–10:00 AM
- Lunch 11:00 AM–2:00 PM
- Dinner 4:45–7:00 PM

Vending machines and microwave ovens are available 24 hours a day at the following locations:

- Domitilla Building, ground floor, room G-101
- Francis Building, Tower section, ground floor



For a map with parking and direction guidance, please scan the QR code:

### LifeSource Mayo Clinic Donation Liaisons:



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