LifeSource Donor Care Units
Donor Care Units (DCU)

DCUs are Not New


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.

DCU - Basics

Where will these DCUs be?

• 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.

What will the process look like?

When will the transfer of donors to DCUs begin?

September 2023
DCU Transfers by Hospital (2022 donor levels)
Key Benefits

1. Consistency
2. Maximize Donation
3. Minimize Hospital Resource Utilization
4. Eliminate Delays
5. Improve Satisfaction
6. Research & Technology

Demonstrated, sustainable increase in organs transplanted per donor.
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)?
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DCU Logistics 2024 (U of M only)

Dedicated DCU space intended to open 2nd 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

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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

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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

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 visit parking which is operational 24/7 at the main entrance of the medical center. The cost for visitors is the same as ramp parking.
- Another option is to park in the Oak St. parking ramp a couple 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 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM. Hours may be flexible 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:
  - 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
2225 West River Road N
Vienna, VA 22180
Main Office: 800.899.5826

North Memorial Health
3800 Central Ave N
Minneapolis, MN 55474
Main Phone: 612.406.8000

For additional information about accommodations, transportation, parking options and rates, visit:
mhealthfairview.org/CIC
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

LifeSource Mayo Clinic Donation Liaisons:

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612-219-2105

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