

RESOURCES

CENTER FOR ORGAN RECOVERY & EDUCATION (CORE)

CORE is one of 58 federally designated not-for-profit organ procurement organizations (OPOs) in the United States. CORE works closely with donor families and designated healthcare professionals to deliver the gift of hope by coordinating the surgical recovery of organs, tissues and corneas for transplantation. CORE also facilitates the computerized matching of donated organs, tissues and corneas.



 CORE.ORG

DONATE LIFE AMERICA (DLA)

Donate Life America is a not-for-profit organization leading its national partners and Donate Life State Teams, including Donate Life PA and Donate Life WV, to develop a culture where donation is embraced as a fundamental human responsibility. DLA manages and promotes Donate Life®, the national brand for the cause of donation and manages the National Donate Life Registry at www.RegisterMe.org.



 DONATELIFE.NET

TRANSPLANT GAMES OF AMERICA (TGA)

The Transplant Games of America are a multi-sport festival event for individuals who have undergone life-saving transplant surgeries. Competition events are open to living donors, organ transplant recipients, bone marrow and corneal and tissue transplant recipients.



 TRANSPLANTGAMESOFAMERICA.ORG

ALL ARE WELCOME

PRIMARY TEAM MEMBERS: Recipients of a life-saving kidney, pancreas, liver, heart, lung, intestine or allogeneic bone marrow/stem cell transplants; recipients of life-enhancing cornea and tissue transplants or bone grafts; living kidney and liver donors

SUPPORT TEAM MEMBERS: Donor families; family members, friends and caregivers of transplant recipients and donor families; transplant professionals; donation supporters with no direct connection to transplant

BENEFITS OF BEING A TEAM MEMBER

- + An opportunity to honor organ, tissue and cornea donors, and their families
- + A chance to advocate for recipient and living donor needs
- + An outlet for grief and a place to find peer support
- + Participation in the Donate Life® Transplant Games of America



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Team
Alleghenies
TRANSPLANT

Service. Fellowship. Competition. Fun.



Team Alleghenies TRANSPLANT

Team Alleghenies Transplant is a group of volunteers who believe passionately in the philosophy to “pass it on”.

As transplant recipients, donor families, waiting list candidates, living donors and caregivers, donation has changed our lives for the better.

Now it’s our mission to save lives and broaden awareness about organ, tissue and cornea donation by increasing the number of people registered as donors in Pennsylvania and West Virginia.



WAYNE MEYERS
TEAM MEMBER

To accomplish this mission, we hold donor drives and “recycle yourself” campaigns throughout our communities.

Team Alleghenies Transplant is a diverse team filled with kids and seniors; the brawny and the brainy; the outgoing and the introverted; and those new to the cause as well as veteran advocates.



THE MILLERS
DONOR FAMILY



JIM UHRIG
RECIPIENT



HIGHLIGHT THE SUCCESSES

Team Alleghenies Transplant team members call attention to the desperate need for more organ donors in this country while showcasing the success of transplantation.



COMMUNICATE THE NUMBERS

More than 115,000 people are currently awaiting life-saving transplants in this country; 8,500 of them in PA, 500 in WV. Members share these statistics to underscore the desperate need for registered organ donors.



CALL PUBLIC TO ACTION

To reduce the number of people waiting for transplant, at donor drive events, team members use an online app and donor cards to register new donors.



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TRANSPLANT
GAMES of AMERICA



2014
HOUSTON

BRITTANY GRIMM
RECIPIENT



2016
CLEVELAND

CHRIS YANAKOS
LIVING DONOR



2018
SALT LAKE
CITY

ROSALINA VARGAS
WAITING FOR A LIVER TRANSPLANT

Every other summer, the team attends The Transplant Games of America. Aside from the sporting competitions, which include ballroom dancing, bingo, bowling, golf, and poker, athletes and their families, donor families, and thousands of supporters participate in spectacular opening and closing ceremonies and a series of tributes to many of the heroes of organ donation.