

How to Save a Life through Organ & Tissue Donation: Law, Ethics & the Nevada Lawyers' Role

A single organ and tissue donor can save 8 lives and also heal and enhance hundreds of others. A network of federal and state laws surround voluntary organ donation, touching on aspects as diverse as health law, estate planning, criminal investigation, disability law and fundamental human rights.

This program will discuss the legal and ethical underpinnings of anatomical gifting, and the role that lawyers play in support client autonomy and saving lives.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

Attendees will be able to demonstrate understanding of:

- Ethical Underpinnings of Altruistic Donation
- Legal structure of organ and tissue donation in the United States
- Intersection of Anatomic Donation with Criminal Investigation, Estate Planning, Surrogate Decisionmaking
- Fundamentals of Anatomical Gift Law, in particular the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act in Nevada
- How to Document an Anatomic Gift
- Drafting Concerns in Gifting Documents and, Advance Directives

OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION:

1. Status of Need for Anatomical Gifts
2. Ethical Underpinnings of Altruistic Donation
3. Federal Law Governing Donation, Including NOTA, Allocation of Organ
4. State Law Governing Donation, Including UAGA
5. How It Works-Documenting A Gift
 - Registry
 - Advance Directive
 - Drafting Concerns for Advance Directive
6. How It Works in a Hospital Setting-Declaration of Death, Donation after Circulatory Death
7. How It Works-The Process of Recovery and Use of Gifts
8. Gifting of Whole Body
9. Recap of Ethical Basis for Anatomical Gifting, an Exploration of Lawyers Role

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