

## Support H.R. 330 the Bipartisan Organ Donation Referral Improvement Act

### Summary

HR330 co-led by Reps. Rob Wittman (R-VA-01), Jennifer McClellan (D-VA-04), Jim Costa (D-CA-21), and Mariannette Miller-Meeks (R-IA-01) directs the HHS Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE), to conduct a voluntary national study of automated electronic deceased organ donor referral tools to identify best practices and recommend steps for its broad adoption. Recommendations are: 1) how to remove barriers to nationally implement and improve tools' performance; 2) identify costs of installing the system; 3) savings in staff time; 4) impact on organ donation volumes; 5) best practices; 6) and organ donor referral criteria that can be standardized across all automated electronic deceased organ donor referral technologies to promote its broader adoption.

### Background

Automated electronic deceased organ donor referral tools are used by hospitals to refer to organ procurement organizations (OPOs) patients who may become deceased organ donors. The technology uses hospital electronic health records (EHR) systems to refer patients who are potential candidates for donation and send patient information to the collaborating OPO. Automated electronic deceased organ donor referral replaces the standard practice of manually notifying OPOs of potential deceased organ donors, lifting the burden of reporting off busy hospital staff, reducing the risk of human error, and ensuring every potential donor is referred.

### This legislation is endorsed by 31 organizations:

American Kidney Fund	LifeBanc
American Kidney Patients	LifeCenter Northwest
American Liver Foundation	Life Connection of Ohio
American Nephrology Nurses Association	LifeGift
American Society of Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics	LifeNet Health
American Society of Nephrology	Lifeline of Ohio
American Society of Transplantation	LifeQuest Organ Recovery Services
American Society of Transplant Surgeons	Lifesharing Donate Life Organization
Association of Multicultural Affairs in Transplantation	National Kidney Foundation
Association of Organ Procurement Organizations	New Jersey Sharing Network
Federation of American Hospitals	North American Transplant Coordinators Association
Gift of Hope	One Legacy
Gift of Life Donor Program	Transplant Families
HonorBridge	United Network for Organ Sharing
Infinite Legacy	Virginia Hospital and Healthcare Association
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