HOPE | ADVOCACY | PASSION

HAP (HOPE, ADVOCACY, PASSION) Campaign January 1 – April 30, 2019

The following talking points will help you spread a message of hope, advocacy and passion through your interactions with others. The more you know about organ, tissue and cornea donation, the more you can share with others.

HOPE

- More than 5,000 people in our region are waiting for a life-saving organ transplant.
- Nationally, nearly **114,000** people are awaiting an organ transplant.
- Thousands of others could benefit from life-enhancing tissue transplants.
- Someone is added to the organ transplant list every 10 minutes.
- With approximately 114,000 people waiting nationally, kidneys are the organ in greatest demand, followed by liver, heart and lungs.
- Anyone can be a potential donor regardless of age, race or medical history.

ADVOCACY

- Only 47% of registered drivers in Pennsylvania have registered to become organ and tissue donors.
- It only takes 30 seconds to sign up to become a donor. Visit <u>www.donors1.org</u>.
- Organs are matched according to height, weight and blood type, followed by medical urgency and time on the transplant list.

PASSION

- One organ donor can save up to eight lives.
- One person who donates organs, tissues and corneas can help more than 75 people.
- All major religions in the United States support organ donation and see it as the final act of love and generosity toward others.

