

# Collaborative Donation Discussion: Includes Gift of Life and a Member of the Care Team

## AFTER EXPLAINING GRAVE PROGNOSIS/PRONOUNCEMENT

“Let me give you some time to begin processing what we’ve shared. I’m going to have a partner of our team come in to support you shortly.”

- Builds trust by respecting emotional overload and offers space to process without introducing next steps too soon.

## FAMILY HAS MADE WITHDRAW DECISION AND GIFT OF LIFE IS NOT PRESENT AT THE HOSPITAL:

“As we focus on the comfort of your loved one, a partner of our team who works closely with families will be in to talk with you and offer support.”

- Creates a calm, pressure-free space focused on comfort while gently introducing more conversation and another team member.

## IF FAMILY DECLINES TO SPEAK WITH GIFT OF LIFE:

“I understand how difficult this is for you and your family. I encourage you to speak with Gift of Life. They can answer questions, provide helpful information, and offer an additional layer of support. I’m happy to stay with you for that conversation if you’d like.”

- Ensures families can make a meaningful, informed decision-free from pressure by offering supportive guidance.

## IF FAMILY BRINGS UP DONATION:

“Thank you for considering others during such a difficult time. We work closely with Gift of Life who can walk with you through this and answer any questions about adding donation to your loved one’s end-of-life care plan. I’ll ask them to join us in conversation.”

- Honors the family’s generosity by presenting donation as meaningful and introducing the coordinator as a trusted partner.