

- **Staffing Needs:** A circulating nurse, a scrub tech and anesthesia for all brain dead donors.
- **Skin prep:** Chloraprep- chin to pubis (shave if appropriate).
- **Drapes:** Laparotomy drapes are acceptable with a wider area of exposure. Free draping is also acceptable.
- **Patient Positioning:** Supine with arms tucked and shoulder roll under chest to extend neck.
Use an appropriate patient warming device (i.e. warming blanket).
DCD (Donation after Cardiac Death) donors may be positioned with an arm out for family.
- **Grounding pads, EKG electrodes and other devices should be placed on the posterior side of the body away from the sterile field.**

Important notes: The IDN coordinator will perform a time-out and "Moment of Silence" prior to incision.

The cross-clamp time is not the time of death, only the start of preservation.

Suture and needles depends upon surgeon preference. Examples:	Instruments and equipment specific tray names will vary according to institution.
Ties: ☐ 0, 2-0, 3-0, and 4-0 silk ties* ☐ #1 and #4 silk ties* Suture: ☐ 2-0 silk on cutting or taper needle* ☐ 4-0 & 5-0 prolene on taper needle* ☐ 1 or 2 nylon on cutting needle for closure* Other: ☐ skin stapler with rotating head ☐ umbilical tapes ☐ bone wax* ☐ large and small hemoclips*, ☐ lacrimal duct probes* Extras: ☐ slush machine (if available)** ☐ defibrillator with sterile internal paddles available ☐ I.V. poles (one for each organ to be recovered) ☐ bronchoscope (for lung recovery cases) ☐ headlight available	Basic: ☐ skin prep ☐ raytec sponges ☐ towels x 3 ☐ gowns XL x 5-10 ☐ electrocautery units x 2-3 ☐ grounding pad x 2-3 ☐ suction sets x 3 (may need 2 suction machines) ☐ suction tips x 2ea. ☐ Yankaur & poole large basins x 2-3 Special: ☐ major laparotomy tray ☐ vascular tray and assorted vascular clamps (aortic clamps, long curved & Fogarty clamps, straight or curved) ☐ sternal saw (ask surgeon blade up or down) ☐ vascular stapler w/ gold cartridges* ☐ sternal retractor* ☐ abdominal retractor* ☐ extra wide/long balfour* ☐ internal stapling devices (i.e. GIA, LDs, TA)*

* Hold these supplies/instruments. Check with Iowa Donor Network (IDN) before opening to prevent duplication.

** If no slush machine available, notify IDN. Slush procedure needs to be initiated at least one hour prior to the recovery case. IDN will also supply some slush.

Visiting recovery teams may bring additional items, which you will be made aware of.

Instruments and Equipment Continued

Equipment

- ☐ Stapler cart
- ☐ Neptunes x2
- ☐ 1-2 cautery pens & machines (*for brain-dead cases only*)
- ☐ Extra IV poles for each recovery team
- ☐ 3-5 back tables (*depending on number of recovery teams*)

Suction Supplies

- ☐ 2 Poole suction tips
- ☐ 1-2 Yankauer suction tips

Instrument Trays

- ☐ Assorted vascular clamps for cross-clamping
- ☐ Lap tray or equivalent (*for abdominal organs*)
- ☐ Vascular tray or equivalent (*for thoracic organs*)

Additional Supplies

- ☐ 4-6 large basins (*one for each organ being procured*)
- ☐ Suture cart

Operating Room Set Up

