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## Organ Harvesting—Trillium Gift of Life Network

TGLN facilitates organ donations in Ontario

Registered donors increased by 19% since 2012

Multiple Organ
Dysfunction
Syndrome - when
two or more organs
are rejected in the
recipient's body

One donor can save 8 lives

The organ highest on demand on the waiting list is the kidney

Canadian comedian and TV personality
Rick Mercer advocates for national organ registry

27% Ontarians are registered donors, only 10% of demand for organ donations is met

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2000 - "Halifax Protocol": first successful combination of two anti- rejection drugs in the world

Most common reasons not to donate organs is due to religion or fear of losing body integrity

There is controversy about reimbursing donors

People with dementia, HIV or rabies can't be donors

Black marketing of organ trafficking a multi-million dollar industry and costs up to \$200 000/organ overseas

Would you be a donor?