

## Services Offered To Donors

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Annual free medical check-up at M.S. Ramaiah Medical Teaching Hospital for those who have enrolled.

It includes:

- General Health checkup
- Basic investigations like Complete Haemogram (Blood Investigations) Fasting Blood Sugar, Serum Cholesterol, Blood Urea
- Routine Urine Examination.
- Gynaecology procedures-PAP smear (for female members)

For appointments please contact:

Public Relations Officer / Casualty Medical Officers, Medico Social Welfare Dept. : 8884412753.

M.S.Ramaiah Medical Teaching Hospital.

Tel.No: 40502600, 23608888, 23609999, 40502000

50% concession for the charges of clinical services, investigations and treatment at M.S.Ramaiah Medical Teaching Hospital

## Procedure After Death

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Please have the eyes closed and keep a wet cloth on the eyes of the donor and inform the hospital at the earliest.

For eye and body donation, the body should reach the M S Ramaiah Teaching (old) Hospital Casualty within six hours.

Inform the College authorities about the death on

Contact Nos.: 23608888, 23609999 (24 x 7 service)

Casualty: 40502600 (after 4:00p.m.)

Medico Social Welfare Dept.: 88844 12753;

Department of Anatomy - 95915 51563

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Free transportation will be arranged by the authorities in the event of death.

Contact:

Public Relations Officer (PROs) of M.S. Ramaiah Memorial Hospital. Ph: 40503060

Medical Teaching Hospital. Ph: 40502781

'CAUSE (Reason) OF DEATH' Certificate is compulsory and has to be issued by a registered Medical Practitioner (Qualified MBBS Practitioner Only). 'Brought Dead' certificate is not equivalent to 'Cause of Death' certificate and will not be accepted.

In the event of difficulty in preserving the body upto 48 hours, arrangement will be provided for preserving the body at our Mortuary in cold storage.

## Frequently Asked Questions

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### 1. WHAT IF I DIE WHEN I AM NOT IN STATION?

We provide free transport service within the city and also about a radius of 50 kms to shift the body. However if the death occurs in a place which requires traveling of more than 6 hours, it doesn't serve the purpose. In that case we co-ordinate with the local medical colleges in that place and the body can be donated to those medical colleges.

### 2. WHAT IF THE DEATH OCCURS AFTER WORKING HOURS IN THE NIGHT?

You can give a call to Casualty Department of the Hospital and the ambulance will be sent to shift the body. The body is stored in cold storage of our mortuary and will be shifted to Anatomy Department the following day.

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### 3. WHICH PART OF THE BODY YOU WILL GIVE US TO DO THE CREMATING RITUALS?

Usually people take some portion of hair for this purpose, otherwise we, by ourselves, will not give any portion of the body.

### 4. HOW CAN WE GET THE DEATH CERTIFICATE?

After the donor's body reaches the Department of Anatomy, a body receipt form will be given from the department. This can be used to get the death certificate from the Corporation.

### 5. CAN WE DONATE THE ORGANS ALSO?

Around 80 million people need transplant. Everybody aged between 5 yrs to 65 yrs can become a potential organ donor. The health of the organ than the age is important.

If the death is due to natural causes, organ donation is not possible except eye, heart valve, ligaments, tendons and skin for the transplant. However, if there is brain death, when the heart is still functioning, the following organs like kidney, pancreas, liver & heart can be used for transplant with the written consent from close relatives.

### 6. WHICH BODY IS NOT USEFUL FOR DONATION?

Decomposed body, death due to unnatural causes like burns, mutilated body, road traffic accidents; postmortem body is not accepted for donation.

### 7. DOES THE COLLEGE/HOSPITAL ISSUE A DEATH CERTIFICATE FOR THE REGISTERED DONORS?

NO. Cause of Death certified by registered Medical Practitioner (MBBS QUALIFIED ONLY) is mandatory for the acceptance of the body.

### 8. HOW DOES ONE REGISTER FOR BODY DONATION?

Any written document or will by the proposed donor becomes valid for body donation OR Registration in any of the medical colleges becomes appropriate.

### 9. WHO ARE THE RELATIVES WHO CAN BE WITNESS TO THE REGISTRATION OF BODY DONATION?

According to the law, relatives can be witness to body donors registration. Relatives commonly mean Mother, Father, Husband, Wife, Brother, sister, Son and daughter.

### 10. CAN THE PARENTS/GUARDIAN OF MENTALLY CHALLENGED PERSON TAKE THE DECISION TO DONATE?

Yes, the parent/guardian of mentally challenged persons can take the decision to donate

### 11. WHAT CAN BE DONE IF THE RELATIVES REFUSE TO ABIDE BY THE LAST WISH?

If the relatives refuse to fulfill the last wishes of the deceased, legally interference by police and court is allowed (not practiced by the institution).

## Abhinandana

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This programme is a unique program organised annually by the M S Ramaiah Medical College for acknowledging the noble intention of the donors.

This program was started in 2007 by the Department of Anatomy. The event is planned, wherein all the donors are invited to this programme. The program is designed with a concept related to the donors.

Voluntary body donation program success can be attributed to team work at M.S.Ramaiah Medical College & Hospitals. The contribution of all members who are directly or indirectly involved is appreciated during ABHINANDANA program.