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APPROPRIATE TERM

“recover” organs

“recovery” of organs

“donation” of organs

“recover” organs

“recovery” of organs

“deceased” donation

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“deceased” donor

“mechanical support”

“ventilator” support

“donation after cardiac death”

“deteriorating to brain death”

“determine brain death”

“facilitated a donation”

“donated organs and tissues”

“tissue preparation facility”

“prepared tissue”

INAPPROPRIATE TERM

“harvest” organs

“harvesting” of organs

“harvesting” of organs

“procure” organs

“procuring” organs

“cadaveric” donation

“cadaver” donation

“cadaver” donor

“life” support

“life” support

“non-heart beating donation”

“progressing to brain death”

“declare brain death”

“did a donor”

“donated body parts”

“tissue processor”

“processed tissue”