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HOSPITALS COMMITTED TO SAVE LIVES THROUGH DONATION

TORONTO – Today Trillium Gift of Life Network released new data on hospital donation performance, a practice that has contributed to increases in organ and tissue donation in Ontario. Hospital donation performance is measured by two rates: routine notification and conversion.

Routine notification is the rate at which hospitals notify Trillium Gift of Life Network when there may be potential for organ and/or tissue donation. During the first quarter of 2017/18 (April 1 – June 30, 2017) Ontario hospitals achieved a 95 per cent routine notification rate.

Eight out of 69 hospitals attained a 100 per cent routine notification rate, including:

- Chatham-Kent Health Alliance
- Collingwood General & Marine Hospital
- Grey Bruce Health Services
- Kirkland and District Hospital
- Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare
- Pembroke Regional Hospital
- St. Joseph's General Hospital Elliot Lake
- University of Ottawa Heart Institute

During the same reporting period, Ontario hospitals achieved a 59 per cent conversion rate: the percentage of potential organs donors that went on to become actual organ donors. Nineteen out of 55 hospitals achieved a 100 per cent conversion rate, including:

- Cambridge Memorial Hospital
- Cornwall Community Hospital
- Grand River Hospital
- Grey Bruce Health Sciences
- Halton Healthcare Services
- Health Sciences North
- Huron Perth Health Alliance
- Kingston Health Sciences Centre
- Lakeridge Health
- Michael Garron Hospital
- Niagara Health System

- North Bay Regional Health Centre
- Queensway Carleton Hospital
- Sault Area Hospital
- St. Mary's General Hospital
- St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital
- The Hospital for Sick Children
- University of Ottawa Heart Institute
- Windsor Regional Hospital

To see the data by hospital and region, visit: www.giftoflife.on.ca/en/publicreporting.htm.

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Trillium Gift of Life Network is a not-for-profit agency of the Government of Ontario responsible for planning, promoting, coordinating and supporting organ and tissue donation for transplantation across Ontario and improving the system so that more lives can be saved.