# What to Expect

# When you chose Science Care for End of Life Arrangements



- A loved one or care provider contacts Science Care to notify of your passing.
- ► A brief medical screening is conducted by phone to determine acceptance.\*

Most everyone will qualify. Most common rule-out for donation is contagious disease.

▶ Upon acceptance, pertinent contact and demographic information is collected by a Science Care Representative.\*

- ▶ Science Care coordinates transportation to bring you or your loved one into our care.
- ▶ Your loved ones are then assigned a direct point of contact who will assist them through the donation process.

They will obtain signed authorizations from all donation and cremation consenters.

A supplemental medical and social history form and death certificate form is sent and returned electronically to the consenters for completion (may also be completed by phone, in most cases).

Science Care files the death certificate in the county of passing. Your loved ones are responsible for purchasing certified copies of the death certificate directly from the county.





- ▶ Tissue is recovered for medical research, training and education programs.
- Any tissue that is not a match for our program is then cremated and returned to your loved ones within 3-5 weeks following the donation.

### Memorial Services

Many families still decide to have a Celebration of Life or memorial service for their loved one. This can be coordinated by family members with a local funeral home.

## Legacy Letter

Science Care sends a Legacy Letter to all consenters the month following the donation.

This letter outlines the research programs going on at the time of the donation.

# ► Memory In Nature

Each year a tree sapling is planted to honor the life of every donor who makes the choice to donate.



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<sup>\*</sup> These steps will be complete if donor was enrolled in the Science Care HOPE Program\* prior to passing.