

Consent - Research – Pacemaker or Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator (ICD) – Deceased Donor

Each year, hundreds of thousands of patients with pacemakers or implantable cardioverter defibrillators (ICDs) pass away and are buried with these devices. Those who choose cremation routinely have their devices removed. Your loved one's pacemaker or ICD may still work and could be donated to a patient in need. There are patients throughout the world, mostly in poorer countries, that cannot afford pacemakers or ICDs. These patients do not have access to these same life-saving devices.

Michigan Medicine is working with World Medical Relief Interested citizens, physicians, and funeral directors across the United States to help these patients in need through a program called **Project My Heart Your Heart**. The project is collecting pacemakers and ICDs for use in a research study to determine if reusing these devices is safe and effective. You may be able to help save a life by donating your loved one's device to our project. A funeral director will respectfully remove the device and send it to be used by Project My Heart Your Heart. There is no cost to you or your loved one's estate or insurance company. You do not have to donate your loved one's device.

If you have any questions about **Project My Heart Your Heart** please ask your health care provider, visit www.myheartyourheart.org, or contact:

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I am the closest adult relative of the deceased. I agree to donate my loved one's pacemaker or ICD to Project My Heart - Your Heart.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM.

Signature of Legally Authorized Representative **Date:** _____

Printed Name of Legally Authorized Representative **Date:** _____
Relationship: Spouse Parent Next-of-Kin Other (specify): _____