ABOUT PATIENT CARE CONFERENCES

1. WHAT IS A PATIENT CARE CONFERENCE?
   A Patient Care Conference (PCC) is a meeting between members of the hospital care team and Gift of Hope to discuss the care of a potential organ donor patient and develop a plan to ensure that the opportunity for donation is preserved. PCCs are typically requested by a Gift of Hope Organ Recovery Coordinator or Designated Requester.

2. WHAT WILL WE TALK ABOUT?
   - Hospital plan of care
   - Brain death evaluation or donation after circulatory death (DCD) suitability
   - Organ donor patient management
   - Donor designation/registry status
   - Family dynamics
   - Plan for a donation discussion with family

3. WHEN WILL A PCC BE INITIATED?
   - During the initial patient evaluation
   - Prior to the donation conversation with a family
   - Prior to the scheduled OR
   - If there are any changes in organ donor patient stability
   - If there are any changes concerning the organ donor patient or the family

4. WHO SHOULD BE IN THE MEETING?
   - Physicians (i.e., attending physicians, fellows or residents)
   - Nurses
   - Pastoral Care Personnel
   - Social Workers
   - Anesthesia/OR staff
   - Any other hospital staff involved in the care of the organ donor patient or family