Tennessee Donor Services (TDS), a local non-profit organization, has partnered with your hospital to facilitate birth tissue donation.

### **The Donation Process**

There is

no cost to

donate.

Healthy expectant mothers planning a Caesarean section delivery can donate birth tissue.

There are no changes to your baby's birth. The only difference is that your placenta, which is normally discarded after delivery, is handed to a Birth Tissue Coordinator.

Feel free to contact us via email, phone, or website to discuss the benefits of birth tissue donation and have all of your questions answered. Once you have made your decision to donate birth tissue, we encourage you to share your intentions with your OB.

### How can I participate?

It's simple! **Just say YES** to give the gift of life!



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### **Congratulations!**

As you welcome your new baby you can help others heal through the gift of birth tissue donation.

# The Healing Potential of Birth Tissue

Your baby's birth tissue (i.e., placenta and umbilical cord) can be used to benefit others. Typically, the birth tissue is discarded. Now you can choose to donate your birth tissue.

Birth tissue has been used for decades for its remarkable ability to heal wounds. When birth tissue is donated, the membranes and cellular components are used to help many patients in need.

## Birth tissues can be used in a variety of therapies, including:

- Nerve Trauma/Repair
  Orthopedics
- Ophthalmology
  Wound Care

### For more information: TennesseeDonor.org | 615.564.3600