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INSTRUCTIONS – Consent Packet

In this packet, please find enclosed the following documents:

1) **A blank copy of the HBTRC Postmortem Authorization for Brain Donation (HBTRC Consent Form - marked with a circle ●)**

2) **HBTRC Brain Donation Information Form (HBTRC Information - marked with a triangle ▲)**

Please read the following instructions and information carefully. If you have questions, or need assistance, please call 1-800-272-4622. A HBTRC staff member will be happy to help.

1) **HBTRC Consent Form**.
This document needs to be signed by the Legal Next-of-Kin / Legal Representative and sent back to the HBTRC

• Please review this document carefully.

• This HBTRC Consent Form can only be completed and signed by the Legal Next-of-Kin after the donor's death.

• Before signing it, please contact the HBTRC and allow one of our staff members to review this authorization form and the Brain Donation Information form with you over the phone and answer any questions you may have.

• Our staff will also guide you on how to send the completed HBTRC Consent Form back to the HBTRC in a secure manner.

• Please make sure to send all 3 pages of this form back to the HBTRC

2) **HBTRC Information**
This copy is for your records.
This document is intended to provide you with answers to questions concerning the donation procedures, risks and costs, and benefits of the donation process. Additionally, you will be able to understand what measures are followed by the HBTRC to protect the confidentiality of the donor. It also indicates that you may contact the HBTRC at any time if you have any questions that were not answered by this document.