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Organ Donation After Death: Mixed Messages from Canada

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A poll conducted recently in October 2022, among 1000 Canadian nationals found that while a majority of Canadians have expressed wish to donate their organs and tissues after death, only a fewer have formally registered their wish.

"Two-thirds (68%) of Canadians nationwide want to donate organs or tissues after their death, but 21% disagree and 11% are undecided," according to the poll done by Research Co. However, only 43% have actually registered to have given their "Explicit Consent" to be an organ and tissue donor after death, which is stated on the health card or driver's licence. "On the issue of organ and tissue donation after death, the thoughts and actions of Canadians differ greatly," says Mario Canseco, President of Research Co.

The survey also discusses the age group of the people who have pledged as organ and tissue donors. It indicates that Canadians aged 55 and older are the most supportive of the practise (92%) followed by those 35 to 54 (84%) and those 18 to 34 (78%).

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