Safe and Healthy Tissue Implants



Every year, LifeNet Health distributes over 400,000 allograft bio-implants to meet the urgent needs of hospitals and patients around the world. Our record of safety is unmatched. And our philosophy is simple: Partner with world-class organizations, provide the highest-quality products and honor those that made the generous gift of tissue donation possible.







Since 1982, LifeNet Health has helped to save lives and restore health for thousands of patients each year. It is the world's most trusted provider of transplant solutions, from organ procurement to new innovations in bio-implant technologies and cellular therapies—a leader in the field of regenerative medicine, while always honoring the donors and healthcare professionals that allow the healing process.

LifeNet Health is governed by an unsurpassed code of ethics. We are driven by our mission of saving lives and





restoring health. And we are forever in debt to the tens of thousands of donors and their families who authorize the gift of tissues and who have made this mission possible.

If you would like to learn more about LifeNet Health or allograft procedures, please feel free to contact us directly at 1-888-847-7831, (1-757-464-4761 x2000 if you are outside of the United States), or visit us online www.lifenethealth.org.

You Can Trust A LifeNet Health Allograft

Your surgeon may have talked to you about the use of an allograft in your procedure. An allograft is human tissue transplanted from one individual to another, usually for reconstruction surgery. As the most common type of transplant, allografts have helped many people lead healthier, more active lives and have even saved lives in the case of heart tissue or skin transplants. At LifeNet Health, we never lose sight of the reality of what an allograft is and where it comes from -- a fellow human who selflessly provided the donated tissue.

However, not all allografts are alike because not all tissue providers are alike. LifeNet Health is a non-profit global leader in regenerative medicine. We have pioneered many of the methods by which tissue is safely obtained and prepared for surgery. We meet or exceed disease testing requirements set forth by the American Association of Tissue Banks (AATB) and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Our Allograft XG® technology renders bio-implants sterile. With the highest standards in the industry, you get added assurance that your tissue transplants result in a safe and healthy outcome.

This pamphlet provides an overview of what to consider when getting a tissue transplant and why you can trust allografts from LifeNet Health. Should you have any additional questions, ask your physician, or feel free to call LifeNet Health at 1-888-847-7831 (or 1-757-464-4761 x2000 if you are outside of the United States).

Why LifeNet Health?

- LifeNet Health is the world's largest provider of bio-implants and organs for transplantation and is a global leader in regenerative medicine.
- LifeNet Health meets and exceeds industry standards for disease testing.
- Since 1995, over 3 million bioimplants processed using Allowash Technology have been distributed by LifeNet Health, with no disease transmission.
- LifeNet Health is a non-profit organization. Meaning, LifeNet Health is able to focus its energies and passion on its mission of savling lives and restoring health
 not to shareholders' concern for the bottom line.
- Not all bio-implant providers are the same. Ask your physician about LifeNet Health.



Allografts: A Healthy Alternative

Allografts have several advantages over autografts, which are grafts taken from your own tissue. Autografts require that you undergo surgery elsewhere on your body to obtain the tissue, which can cause additional pain, scarring, and longer healing times.

However, because allografts are human tissue taken from a deceased donor, it's important to consider where the tissue is coming from, what testing it undergoes, how it is processed, and what other measures are taken to assure your safety. LifeNet Health takes extraordinary steps to provide you and your surgeon with safe, healthy tissue.

of total donors screened for transplantation are accepted by LifeNet Health.

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Higher Standards To Ensure Your Safety

No one has higher standards for allograft safety than LifeNet Health. We begin with thorough donor screening, an essential step in preventing disease transmission. At LifeNet Health, this includes evaluating the donor's medical and behavioral history. Blood tests are used to rule out diseases such as HIV, hepatitis, and syphilis, and the presence of any bacteria.

Once the donor is approved, LifeNet Health applies special methods to clean or sterilize the tissue. These patented processes have been designed to effectively remove all viruses and bacteria. Although current regulations do not require tissue banks to use processing methods that guarantee tissue sterility, LifeNet Health has adopted stringent guidelines set forth by the Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMO for invasive and surgically implanted medical devices. That means you are receiving the cleanest and healthiest tissue possible for your procedure.

A Donation Process You Can Trust

LifeNet Health donations come from federallydesignated and regulated organ donation organizations and approved tissue recovery partners. We only work with qualified, accredited agencies that meet our strict standards for quality, and safety. In addition, we conduct regular inspections to ensure that our tissue recovery process meets current FDA regulations and AATB standards. You can be fully confident your allograft comes from a trusted source.

A Proven Record You Can Rely On

LifeNet Health has an unmatched safety record in providing allografts. Since the introduction of our patented Allowash® bio-implant sterilization process in 1995, we have distributed more than 3 million allografts with no incidence of disease transmission from tissue screened and processed by LifeNet Health. Our record is your assurance of utmost safety.



Quality To Meet Your Lifestyle Demands

Not only does LifeNet Health use the most advanced process for ensuring safety, we also use the industry's most advanced facilities and engineering to assure the highest quality allografts. All of our processing environments comply with FDA, state and federal requirements.

All of our allograft tissue undergoes extensive engineering to ensure maximum performance that meets the demands of today's active lifestyles.

Innovation For Better Care

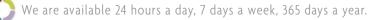
LifeNet Health's commitment to safety, quality, and patient outcomes is evident in everything we do, including our ongoing research and development efforts. Our Institute of Regenerative Medicine is on the forefront of cellular therapy technologies and is a center for ground-breaking research and product development.

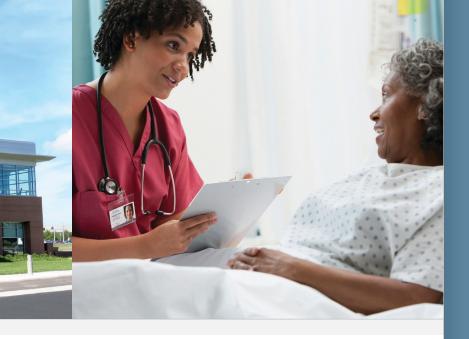
You're In Good Hands

From screening to processing, all procedures are performed by trained LifeNet Health technicians. We strictly adhere to AATB and federal guidelines and our own high standards. Every step is documented and all records are evaluated to make sure every requirement is met and the tissue you receive is the finest it can be.

While our processes are in place to ensure the highest levels of safety and quality, LifeNet Health's safety standards are not necessarily the same as those used by other tissue banks - and you should not assume that all tissue banks are alike. You may want to ask your physician if he or she plans to use a LifeNet Health allograft for your procedure.

For more information, including additional information about LifeNet Health's Quality Control and Safety measures, please visit our website, www.LifeNetHealth.org.





Give Thanks For Your Gift

Every aspect of the LifeNet Health process honors the dignity and generosity of donors and their families. Their gifts have enabled many people to enjoy fuller, richer lives. Yet most donor families never hear about what their donations have meant to the patients who receive them. Here's where you can make a difference.

As an allograft tissue recipient, you may express your gratitude in an anonymous letter to the donor's family. LifeNet Health will gladly facilitate the delivery of the letter. You can tell the donor family about yourself, share with them the progress you've made, and describe how your allograft has enhanced your everyday life. You can also share your success story with the public through LifeNet Health.

Simply contact LifeNet Health Donor Family Services for more information at 1-888.847-7831, or email us at moderator@donorfamilies.net. You can also learn more on our transplant recipient website by visiting www.Thanks2You.org.



In addition to our 30 years of Experience,

LifeNet Health:

- Has the longest-running AATB certification.
- Is the first organization of its kind to be ISO certified.
- Has strategic partnerships with leading healthcare organizations.







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