



Community Tissue Services®

Facts about Community Tissue Services (CTS) and Tissue Donation

- CTS serves donor families, physicians, hospitals and its community partners by providing education, recovery, processing and distribution of quality tissue grafts.
- CTS serves hospitals throughout the United States by providing tissue grafts for patients in need of a lifesaving or life-enhancing transplant.
- CTS complies with all federal and state regulations and is strongly committed to providing the highest quality of tissue for transplantation.
- CTS is accredited by the American Association of Tissue Banks.
- CTS is ISO 9001:2000 Registered.
- CTS is one of the largest tissue banks in the United States. In 2009, CTS distributed over 124,000 tissue grafts for transplantation.
- CTS is the largest non-profit provider of skin grafts to surgeons for severe burn patients.
- More than 1 million tissue transplants are performed each year in the United States.
- Tissue that can be donated includes heart valves, skin, bone, veins, tendons and ligaments.
- A tissue graft is often a necessary part of medical treatment for a multitude of diseases and injuries, from bone fracture or ligament repair to heart surgery.
- A single tissue donor can save or enhance the lives of more than 50 people.
- Transplanted tissue offers patients a new chance at healthy, productive and normal lives.
- To find out more about Community Tissue Services and tissue donation, please visit www.communitytissue.org.