

Appendix 1 (as supplied by the authors): Nova Scotia Trauma Registry definition of potential organ donor

The Nova Scotia Trauma Registry (NSTR) definition of a potential organ donor was any trauma patient in the NSTR who died in hospital and met the two criteria listed below:

1. Had at least one of the following ICD-10-CA injury codes:
 - a. S06 - Intracranial injury
 - b. S07 - Crushing injury of head
 - c. S08 - Traumatic amputation of part of head
 - d. S09 - Other and unspecified injuries of the head
 - e. S02.0 - Fracture of vault of skull
 - f. S02.1 - Fracture of base of skull
 - g. S02.7 - Multiple fractures involving skull and facial bones
 - h. S02.89 - Fractures of other unspecified skull and facial bones
 - i. T71 - Asphyxiation (Note: use of this code in the NSTR began in April 2011)
2. Received mechanical ventilation at any time during hospital stay.