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“The Determination of Death”

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This special issue of *The National Catholic Bioethics Quarterly* will examine questions related to the proper determination of death. The area is critical for deciding when organs may be removed from a willing donor. Topics for submission might include donation after cardiac death (also known as non-heart-beating organ donation), the determination of death by neurological criteria, the length of time that must pass before death can be known with moral certitude, the question of irreversibility in death, and similar issues.

The *Quarterly* is also interested in the larger philosophical questions about the nature of death, what it means to speak of the separation of the soul from the body, and the relationship between the medical judgment of the physician and the moral teaching of the Catholic Church. The determination of death would seem to have both an empirical and a metaphysical dimension.

Studies of the legal standing of the determination of death are also welcome, for example, a review of the Uniform Determination of Death Act in the United States, or similar measures in use elsewhere.

Submissions should be sent to Edward J. Furton, M.A., Ph.D., Editor-in-Chief: efurton@ncbcenter.org; or be sent by surface mail to the *The National Catholic Bioethics Quarterly*, 6399 Drexel Road, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19151-2511. Materials under consideration for publication in *The National Catholic Bioethics Quarterly* should not be submitted elsewhere while under review.

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