



**Distinguished Lecture Series  
FALL 2013 SEMESTER  
West Windsor Campus**

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**ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION:**

**The Gift of Life**

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**Barbara Turci**, Organ and Tissue Donation Education Manager at NJ Sharing Network, will give a presentation on the process of organ and tissue donation. NJ Sharing Network, this region's organ procurement agency, recognizes that every organ and tissue donation involves the gift of a donor and their families, as well as the efforts of our professional partners. NJ Sharing Network works closely with hospitals, medical examiners and funeral homes to realize our mutual goal of saving and enhancing lives through this process.

The lecture will include an overview of the Hero Act, a new law designed to create a more dynamic, comprehensive framework for organ and tissue donation, one with mandated educational and decisional components. With the enactment of the Hero Act, New Jersey has become the first state to advocate that its residents have the fundamental responsibility to choose whether to help save another person's life.

Prior to joining NJ Sharing Network in 1992 as a clinical transplant coordinator, Barbara worked in the adult critical care setting for several years. She is a registered nurse who is primarily responsible for fulfillment of the NJ Hero Act educational requirement for nurses, nursing and medical students as well as public high school students in the state. Her responsibilities include educating both clinical practitioners and the public on the topic of organ and tissue donation.

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**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2013**

**12 NOON – 1 PM**

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