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2018 AATB Annual Meeting

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Dallas, Texas

October 9 – 12, 2018

Monday, October 8

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

EARLY BADGE PICKUP
[Landmark Ballroom Foyer](#)

Tuesday, October 9

ALL MEETINGS ARE BY INVITATION ONLY

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Physicians Council Meeting
[Bryan Beeman AB](#)

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Program Committee Meeting
[Gaston A](#)

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Finance Committee Meeting
[Moreno A](#)

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Ad-Hoc Donor Family Services Committee Meeting
[Moreno B](#)

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Ad-Hoc Living Donor Committee Meeting
[Gaston B](#)

12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION OPEN
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- 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.** **Accreditation Committee Meeting**
[Moreno A](#)
- 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.** **Standards Committee Meeting**
[Bryan Beeman A](#)
- 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.** **Education Committee Meeting**
[Moreno B](#)
- 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.** **Membership Committee Meeting**
[Moreno A](#)
- 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.** **Ad-Hoc NADO Committee Meeting**
[Gaston B](#)
- 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.** **Tissue Policy Group (TPG) Meeting**
[Gaston A](#)
- 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.** **Board of Governors Meeting**
[Moreno AB](#)
- 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.** **Board of Governors and TPG Reception & Dinner**
[Bryan Beeman AB](#)

Wednesday, October 10

- 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.** **BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION**
[Landmark and Reunion Ballroom Foyers](#)
- 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.** **President & CEO's Welcome**
Annual Business Meeting
Frank S. Wilton, CAE, President & CEO, AATB
[Reunion Ballroom](#)



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- 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.** **Keynote Presentation**
Peg Breeding, Donor Family Member
Whitney Breeding, Tissue Recipient
Reunion Ballroom
- 9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.** **FDA Update**
Scott Brubaker, Director, Division of Human Tissues, FDA CBER
Reunion Ballroom
- 10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.** **COFFEE BREAK**
Reunion Ballroom Foyer
- 10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.** **30 Years of CTBS**
Jonathan Boyd, CTBS, Director of Certification & Online Learning, AATB
Jeff Cox, CTBS, COO, United Tissue Resources
Ed Ferreol, MD, CTBS, Sr. Manager, National Trainers, LifeNet Health
Ralph Powers, DDS, CTBS, Consultant, LifeNet Health
Reunion Ballroom
- 11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.** **Birth Tissue Programs: A to Z**
Faith Case, CTBS, Director, Quality Assurance, Risk & Safety,
Regenerative Biologics, Inc.
Louis Jares, CTBS, Education Director, MTF Biologics
Reunion Ballroom
- 12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.** **ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON**
Reunion Ballroom
- 1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.** **How Does Grief Affect Us?**
Susan Smith, MS, Grief Support and Life Legacies Manager, GenCure
Reunion Ballroom
- 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.** **Quality Council Meeting**
Reunion Ballroom A
- 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.** **Processing and Distribution Council Meeting**
Reunion Ballroom B



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3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Accredited Tissue Banks Council Meeting
[Reunion Ballroom C](#)

3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Recovery and Donor Suitability Council Meeting
[Pegasus Ballroom](#)

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Bylaws & Ethics Committee Meeting
[Moreno A](#)
BY INVITATION ONLY

5:30 p.m.

EXHIBIT HALL OPENS
[Landmark Ballroom](#)

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

WELCOME RECEPTION
[Landmark Ballroom](#)

Thursday, October 11

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION
[Landmark Ballroom Foyer](#)

8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

Chairman's Welcome
Lou Barnes, CTBS, President & COO, Vivex Biomedical, Inc.
[Reunion Ballroom](#)

8:45 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

Keynote Presentation
Ralph Pagano, Tissue Recipient
[Reunion Ballroom](#)

9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Disaster Preparedness and Response: LifeLink Puerto Rico
Guillermina Sanchez, Associate Executive Director, LifeLink Puerto Rico
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10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Abstract Award Winner Presentations
Award Winners TBA
[Reunion Ballroom](#)



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CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS

STAC Update

Jan Zajdowicz, CTBS, Senior R&D Manager, AlloSource

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Staffing Models

Chris Agle, RN, CTBS, Director of Business Development & Recovery Operations, UMTB Donor Services Foundation

Sam Ritter, CTBS, Manager of Tissue Services, Carolina Donor Services

[Reunion Ballroom B](#)

To Write or Not to Write: Donor Family and Recipient Contact

Melissa Chiumiento, Aftercare Specialist II, New England Donor Services, Inc.

Michelle Post, CTBS, Manager, Donor Family Aftercare, OneLegacy

[Reunion Ballroom C](#)

Placental Pathology 101

Anna McDonald, MD, Medical Director, Birth Tissue Recovery, LLC

Hannis Thompson, MD, Medical Director, AlloSource

[Pegasus Ballroom](#)

12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS

What Did You Say? The Importance of Active Listening

Lance Murdock, CTBS, Regional Manager, Tissue Operations, LifeNet Health

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An Update on the New NADO Standards

Alyssa Harrison, Executive Director, United Tissue Network, Inc.

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Casting a Wide Net: Tissue's Unparalleled Research Potential

Jenna Deveau, Performance Improvement Coordinator, Washington Regional Transplant Community

Immanuel Rasool, Manager of Research, Washington Regional Transplant Community

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Overcoming Challenges with Tissue Consent

Dina Avery, DHSc, MA, MAEd, Assistant Professor and Regulatory Affairs Specialist, The University of Alabama at Birmingham

Pegasus Ballroom

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

LUNCH

Landmark Ballroom

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

STAC Meeting

Moreno A

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1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Root Cause Analysis for CAPAs

Jennifer Wesbrook, CTBS, Director of Quality, AlloSource

Reunion Ballroom A

The AATB Sterilization & Decontamination Guide: An Overview

Darrel Lewis, CTBS, Education Director, Procurement, MTF Biologics

Walter Recker, CTBS, CST, Regional Field Manager, LifeCell Corporation, an Allergan Affiliate

Reunion Ballroom B

Tracking and Storing Donor Photos

Kristina Andrzejewski, CTBS, Director, Tissue Recovery, New England Donor Services, Inc.

Jessica Langlois, Senior Project Manager, New England Donor Services, Inc.

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Physicians Council Update

Lennox Archibald, MD, Hospital Epidemiologist, RTI Donor Services

Michael Bauer, MD, CTBS, President, Eye and Tissue Resources

Roman Hitchev, MD, MPH, Vice President & Chief Science Officer, AATB

[Pegasus Ballroom](#)

2:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Aseptic Gowning: The First Line of Contamination Defense

*Kristen Hedrick, Coordinator, Quality, Regulatory, and Compliance,
KeraLink International*

[Reunion Ballroom A](#)

Training Models

*Ryan Nelson, CTBS, Tissue Services Supervisor and Medical Examiner
Liaison, Donor Network of Arizona*

[Reunion Ballroom B](#)

I'm Feeling the Heartache Again: Secondary Loss

Gwenn Silva, Manager of Donor Family Aftercare, Donor Network West

[Reunion Ballroom C](#)

Allograft Skin Utilization in the Burn Unit and Its Life Saving Abilities

Cindy Rutter, BSN, MS, Clinical Development Manager, Exsurco Medical

[Pegasus Ballroom](#)

2:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

BREAK

[Reunion Ballroom Foyer](#)

3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Intellectual Property in the Field of Tissue Banking

*Jeffrey Cartmell, PhD, Associate Director, Intellectual Property & Grants,
MTF Biologics*

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Change Management Tools for the Ever Changing Field of Donation

*Mary Berendt, CST, CTBS, Tissue Recovery Supervisor,
Wisconsin Tissue Bank*

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It's a Matter of Faith: Religious Attitudes Surrounding Donation

*Charles White, CTBS, Hospital Development Specialist,
Carolina Donor Services*

Reunion Ballroom C

Master Validation Plans

*Daniel Soulvie, CTBS, Quality Engineer, Pinnacle Transplant Technologies,
LLC*

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4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Connecting the Dots Through New Media

Noel Sanchez, Public Affairs Manager, Donor Network West

Reunion Ballroom A

Authorized Not Recovered: A Deeper Look

*Melissa Davis, CTBS, Donor Services Coordinator III, The Living Legacy
Foundation Maryland*

*Maikki Nekton, LCSW-C, CTBS, Family Services Manager, Tissue,
The Living Legacy Foundation Maryland*

Reunion Ballroom B

Algorithmic Tissue Screening

*Joshua Brennan, CTBS, Manager, Tissue Operations, New England Donor
Services, Inc.*

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Charting a Course for Transition to a Licensed Biologic Product

Mark Friedman, PhD, CTBS, VP of RA & QA, AxoGen Corporation

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4:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

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Guiding Donor Families in the Digital Age

*Melissa Chiumiento, Aftercare Specialist II, New England Donor Services, Inc.
Michelle Post, CTBS, Manager, Donor Family Aftercare, OneLegacy*

[Reunion Ballroom A](#)

The Need for Brain Tissue in Furthering Autism Research

David Amaral, PhD, Director, Autism BrainNet

[Reunion Ballroom B](#)

Perspectives on Minimal Manipulation and Homologous Use

Jonathan Boyd, CTBS, Director of Certification & Online Learning, AATB

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Donor Screening Testing and Challenges

Rod Hale, Director of Laboratory Operations, VRL Eurofins

[Pegasus Ballroom](#)

Friday, October 12

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION

[Landmark Ballroom Foyer](#)

8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

**Tissue Recipient Experience on the Donate Life America Float
and a DLA Update**

*Peter (PJ) Williams, Tissue Recipient and Rose Parade Float Rider
David Fleming, President & CEO, Donate Life America*

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9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Leading When You're Not the Leader

Karen Snyder, Sole Proprietor, Concordia Consulting LLC

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Communications and Education Awards Winner Presentations

Winners TBA

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10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

COFFEE BREAK

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11:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

CONCURRENT INTERACTIVE SESSIONS

Communication and Conversation Styles

*Lance Murdock, CTBS, Regional Manager, Tissue Operations,
LifeNet Health*

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Techniques for Interactive e-Learning

*Emily Scaramella, Manager, Learning Design, New England
Donor Services, Inc.*

*Laura Walling-Sotolongo, CTBS, Director, Employee Learning and
Development, New England Donor Services, Inc.*

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AOC: Interactive Case Studies

Jonathan Boyd, CTBS, Director of Certification & Online Learning, AATB

Ed Ferreol, MD, CTBS, Sr. Manager, National Trainers, LifeNet Health

*Walter Recker, CTBS, CST, Regional Field Manager, LifeCell Corporation,
an Allergan Affiliate*

Joel Smith, CTBS, Sr. Director of Tissue Services, Tennessee Donor Services

*Greg Slawski, CTBS, Clinical Trainer, Gift of Hope Organ and Tissue
Donor Network*

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Unintentional Bias

Karen Snyder, Sole Proprietor, Concordia Consulting LLC

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GRAB & GO LUNCH

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1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Certification Committee Meeting

Bryan Beeman B

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Saturday, October 13

10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

CTBS Exam

Pegasus Ballroom