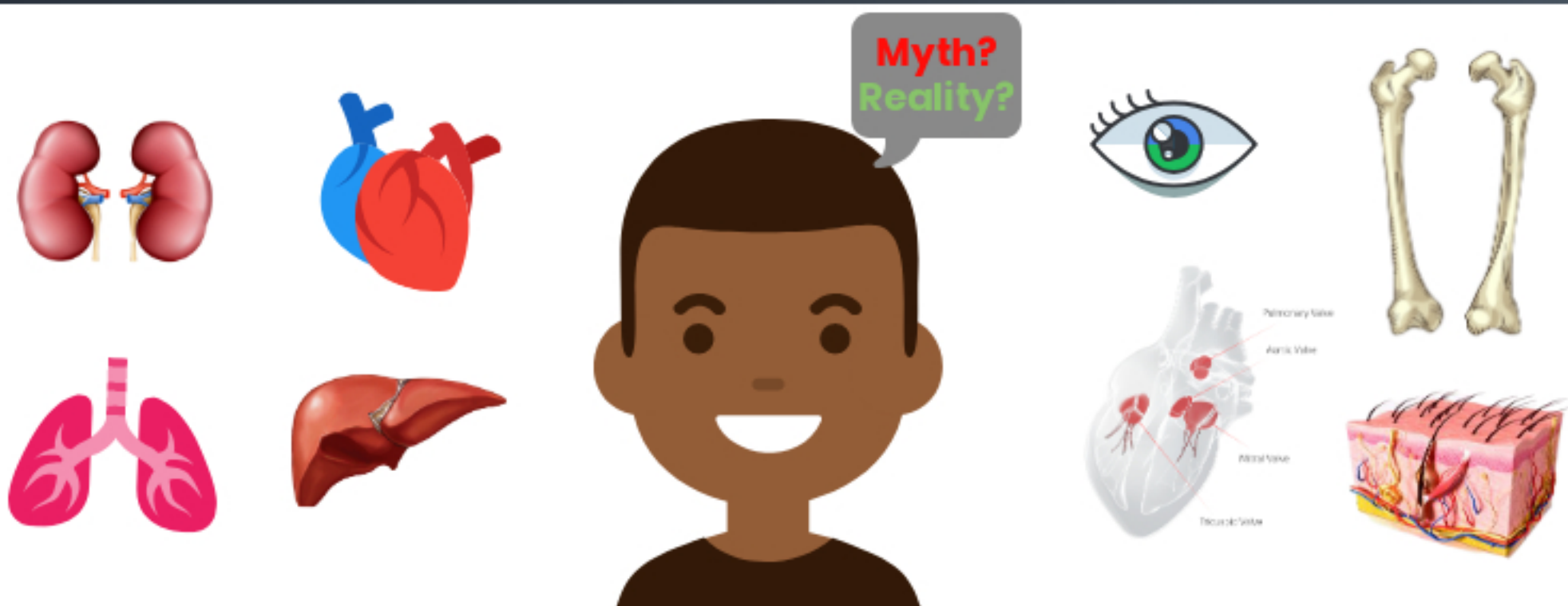


Myths on Organ Donation that you should stop believing



Myth: My doctor will not work hard to save my life if I agree to donate my organs and tissues.

Reality: When you go to the hospital for treatment, doctors will focus on saving your life. The doctor in charge has nothing to do with transplantation.



Myth: I am too old to donate my organs and tissues.

Reality: There is no age limit in organ and tissue donations. The oldest organ donor is 82 years old.



Myth: My family will be charged for donating a loved one's organs and tissues.

Reality: The organ donor's family is never charged for donating. The cost for organ donation will go to the transplant recipient. Only funeral expenses are still the responsibility of the donor's family.



Myth: I have diabetes and hypertension. I cannot pledge to become an organ donor.

Reality: Medical professionals at the time of death will determine whether one's is eligible to donate organs and tissues. Do not disqualify yourself prematurely.



Myth: I cannot have an open casket funeral if I donated my organs and tissues.

Reality: Open casket funeral is possible for organ and tissue donor. The body is stitched up as if the person were alive and had undergone surgery.



Myth: Organ donation is against my religion.

Reality: Organ and tissue donation is accepted by all religions in Malaysia as the most generous and charitable act.