New Mexico Instructions for Health Care (living will)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HEALTH CARE

If you are satisfied to allow your agent to determine what is best for you in making end-of-life decisions, you need not fill out this part of the form. If you do fill out this part of the form, you may cross out any wording you do not want.

(6) END-OF-LIFE DECISIONS: If I am unable to make or communicate decisions regarding my health care, and IF (i) I have an incurable or irreversible condition that will result in my death within a relatively short time, OR (ii) I become unconscious and, to a reasonable degree of medical certainty, I will not regain consciousness, OR (iii) the likely risks and burdens of treatment would outweigh the expected benefits, THEN I direct that my health-care providers and others involved in my care provide, withhold or withdraw treatment in accordance with the choice I have initialed below in one of the following three boxes:
[] I CHOOSE NOT To Prolong Life
I do not want my life to be prolonged.
[] I CHOOSE To Prolong Life
I want my life to be prolonged as long as possible within the limits of generally accepted health-care standards.
[] I CHOOSE To Let My Agent Decide
My agent under my power of attorney for health care may make life-sustaining treatment decisions for me.
(7) ARTIFICIAL NUTRITION AND HYDRATION: If I have chosen above NOT to prolong life, I also specify by marking my initials below:
[] I DO NOT want artificial nutrition OR
[] I DO want artificial nutrition.
[] I DO NOT want artificial hydration unless required for my comfort OR
[] I DO want artificial hydration.
(8) RELIEF FROM PAIN: Regardless of the choices I have made in this form and except as I state in the following space, I direct that the best medical care possible to keep me clean, comfortable and free of pain or discomfort be provided at all times so that my dignity is maintained, even if this care hastens my death:
(Add additional sheets if needed.)
(9) ANATOMICAL GIFT DESIGNATION : Upon my death I specify as marked below whether I choose to make an anatomical gift of all or some of my organs or tissue:
[] I CHOOSE to make an anatomical gift of all of my organs or tissue to be determined by medical suitability at the time of death, and artificial support may be maintained long enough for organs to be removed.
[] I CHOOSE to make a partial anatomical gift of some of my organs and tissue as specified below, and artificial support may be maintained long enough for organs to be removed.
(Add additional sheets if needed.)
[] I REFUSE to make an anatomical gift of any of my organs or tissue.
[] I CHOOSE to let my agent decide.
(10) OTHER WISHES: (If you wish to write your own instructions, or if you wish to add to the instructions you have given above, you may do so here.) I direct that:

(Add additional sheets if needed.)

(date) (sign your name) (print your name) (address) (city) (your social security number) (state) (Optional) SIGNATURES OF WITNESSES: First witness: Second witness: (print name) (print name) (address) (address) (city) (state) (city) (state) (signature of witness) (signature of witness) (date) (date)

SIGNATURES: Sign and date the form here:

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