

HEALTH CARE GUIDELINES ABOUT THE END OF LIFE

EXPRESSION OF INTENT TO PHYSICIANS AND CAREGIVERS

If I should be in an incurable or irreversible physical condition, with no reasonable hope of recovery, and I am no longer able to make decisions, regarding my medical treatment; these are my wishes:

CHECK EACH SPECIFIC WISH BELOW:

1. I (**do**) or (**do not**) want treatment that only prolongs the dying process.
2. I (**do**) or (**do not**) want treatment to maintain my dignity, keep me comfortable and relieve me of pain.
3. I (**do**) or (**do not**) want Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation.
4. I (**do**) or (**do not**) want mechanical ventilation (breathing).
5. If I cannot eat, I (**do**) or (**do not**) want a tube inserted in my nose, mouth, or surgically placed in my stomach to give me food.
6. If I cannot drink, I (**do**) or (**do not**) want to receive fluids through a needle or catheter placed in my body.
7. If I have a serious infection, I (**do**) or (**do not**) want antibiotics that would only prolong the dying process.

OTHER SPECIFIC WISHES: _____

INITIAL _____

SIGNING AND WITNESSING THIS ADVANCE DIRECTIVE

A. Your signature [Sign this document in the presence of two witnesses.]

1. I revoke any prior health care advance directive or directions.
2. This document is intended to be valid in any jurisdiction in which it is presented.
3. A copy of this document is intended to have the same effect as the original.
4. Those who act as I have directed in this document shall be free from legal liability for having followed my directions.
5. If my attending physician is unwilling or unable to comply with my wishes, I direct my care be transferred to another physician.

I sign this document on the _____ day of _____ year _____.

Signature Print Full Name

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Home Ph _____ Work Ph _____

B. Ask Your Witnesses to Read and Sign

I declare that the person who signed this document is personally known to me, and has signed these health care advance directives in my presence, and appears to be of sound mind and under no duress, fraud, or undue influence.

As a witness, I am NOT:

- The person appointed as Representative by this document;
- Financially responsible for this person's health care;
- Related to this person by blood, marriage, or adoption; and
- To the best of my knowledge, entitled to inherit any part of this person's estate under a will now existing or by operation of law.

1. _____ Date _____ 2. _____ Date _____
Signature Date Signature Date

Name _____

Name _____

Address _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Should you choose to have this form serve as Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care, please complete notarization below:

C. Notarizing this Document (Optional)

STATE OF _____)

COUNTY OF _____)

On this _____ day of _____, _____ the said _____ known to me (or satisfactorily proven) to be the person named in the foregoing instrument, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public, within and for the State and County aforesaid, and acknowledged that he or she freely and voluntarily executed the same for the purposes stated therein.

Notary Public for the State of Montana

Residing at _____, MT

My commission expires: _____

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CONSIDERATIONS

A. Spiritual Preferences

My religion: _____ My faith community: _____

Contact person: _____ I would like spiritual support: Yes No

B. My Preference is to die at:

My Home Hospital
 Nursing Home Other _____

C. Donation of Organs at My Death (if eligible)

- I do not wish to donate any of my body, organs or tissue.
 I wish to donate my entire body.
 I wish to donate only the following: [check all that apply]
 Any Organs, tissues or body parts: Heart Kidneys Lungs
 Bone Marrow Eyes Skin Liver
 Others _____

D. After Death Care: [Care of my body, burial, cremation, autopsy, funeral home preference]

E. Additional Directions: (Use additional pages if necessary)

Signature _____ Date _____

F. Distributing this Document: (Optional)

I plan to send copies of this document to the following people or locations:

Representative: Name _____
 Family Member: Relationship _____
Name _____

Physician: Name _____
 Hospital: Name _____

Clergy: Name _____
 Other: Name _____

INITIAL _____