

Advance Directive/Living Will

Notice

The purpose of this Living Will Declaration is to document your wish that life-sustaining treatment, including artificially or technologically supplied nutrition and hydration, be withheld or withdrawn if you are unable to make informed medical decisions and are in a terminal condition or in a permanently unconscious state. This Living Will Declaration does not affect the responsibility of health care personnel to provide comfort care to you. Comfort care means any measure taken to diminish pain or discomfort, but not to postpone death.

If you would not choose to limit any or all forms of life-sustaining treatment, including cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), you have the legal right to so choose and may wish to state your medical treatment preferences in writing in a different document.

Under Ohio law, a Living Will Declaration is applicable only to individuals in a terminal condition or a permanently unconscious state. If you wish to direct medical treatment in other circumstances, you should prepare a Health Care Power of Attorney. If you are in a terminal condition or a permanently unconscious state, this Living Will Declaration takes precedence over a Health Care Power of Attorney.

You should consider completing a new Living Will Declaration if your medical condition changes or if you later decide to complete a Health Care Power of Attorney.

If you have both a Living Will Declaration and a Health Care Power of Attorney, you should keep copies of these documents together. Bring your document(s) with you whenever you are a patient in a health care facility or when you update your medical records with your physician.

Declaration made this _____ day of _____, (20_____).

This is my Living Will Declaration. I revoke all prior Living Will Declarations signed by me. I understand the nature and purpose of this document. If any provision is found to be invalid or unenforceable, it will not affect the rest of this document. I am of sound mind and not under or subject to duress, fraud or undue influence. I am a competent adult who understands and accepts the consequences of this action. I voluntarily declare my direction that my dying not be artificially prolonged. [R.C. §2133.02 (A)(1)]

I intend that this Living Will Declaration will be honored by my family and physicians as the final expression of my legal right to refuse certain health care. [R.C. §2133.03(B)(2)]

I _____, willfully and voluntarily make known my desire that my dying not be artificially prolonged under the circumstances set forth below, and I do hereby declare that, if at any time I am incapacitated and:

_____ (initial) I have a terminal condition, **or**

_____ (initial) I have an end stage condition, **or**

_____ (initial) I am in a persistent vegetative state, and if my primary physician and another consulting physician have determined that there is no reasonable medical probability of my recovery from such a condition, I direct that life-prolonging procedures be withheld or withdrawn when the application of such procedures would serve only to prolong artificially the process of dying, and that I be permitted to die naturally with only the administration of medication or the performance of any medical procedure deemed necessary to provide me with comfort care or to alleviate pain.

It is my intention that this declaration be honored by my family and physician as the final expression of my legal right to refuse medical or surgical treatment and to accept the consequences for such refusal.

In the event that I have been determined to be unable to provide express and informed consent regarding the withholding, withdrawal, or continuation of life-prolonging procedures, I wish to designate, as my surrogate to carry out the provisions of this declaration:

Name (please print): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Birth Date: _____

Special Instructions

_____ By placing my initials, signature, check or other mark in this box, I specifically authorize my physician to withhold, or if treatment has commenced, to withdraw, consent to the provision of artificially or technologically supplied nutrition or hydration if I am in a permanently unconscious state AND my physician and at least one other physician who has examined me have determined, to a reasonable degree of medical certainty, that artificially or technologically supplied nutrition and hydration will not provide comfort to me or relieve my pain. [R.C. §2133.02(A)(3) and R.C. §2133.08]

Signature of Declarant

I understand that I am responsible for telling members of my family, the agent named in my Health Care Power of Attorney (if I have one), my doctor, my lawyer, my religious advisor and others about this Living Will. I understand I may give copies of this Living Will to any person.

I understand that I must sign (or direct an individual to sign for me) and date this Living Will. I know that my signing must be witnessed by two adults who are eligible to witness the signing OR the signing must be acknowledged before a notary public. [R.C. §2133.02]

I sign my name to this Living Will on _____ (date), at _____ (place), Ohio.

Declarant signature _____

Additional Instructions (optional):

Witnesses Signature

Public Notary

I attest that the Declarant signed or acknowledged this Living Will Declaration in my presence, and that the Declarant appears to be of sound mind and not under or subject to duress, fraud or undue influence.

Witness Signatures:

_____ Signature	_____ Print Name
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_____ Address

_____ Phone	_____ Date
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_____ Signature	_____ Print Name
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_____ Address

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OR, if there are no witnesses, NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGMENT [R.C. §2133.02(B)(2)]

State of Ohio

County of _____.

On _____ (date), _____, declarant of this Living Will personally appeared before me and acknowledged that (s)he executed the living will for the purposes expressed therein. I attest that the declarant appears to be of sound mind and not under duress, fraud or undue influence.

Notary Public _____

My Commission Expires: _____

My Commission is Permanent: _____

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English: Call the number above to receive free language assistance services.

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French Creole (Haitian Creole): Kreyòl Ayisyen (French Creole) Rele nimewo ki e dike anwo a pou resevwa sèvis éd gratis nan lang.

Українська (Ukrainian): Зателефонуйте за вказаним вище номером для отримання безкоштовної мовної підтримки.

नेपाली (Nepali): निःशुल्क भाषासम्बन्धी सहयोग सेवाहरू प्राप्त गर्नका लागि माथिको नम्बरमा फोन गर्नुहोस्।
العربية (Arabic): اتصل برقم الهاتف أعلاه للحصول على خدمات المساعدة اللغوية المجانية.

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Tiếng Việt (Vietnamese): Gọi số điện thoại ở trên để nhận các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí.

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دری (Dari): برای دریافت خدمات رایگان کمک زبانی با شماره بالا تماس بگیرید.

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