

# STHS Palliative Care Advanced Care Planning

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# What Is Palliative Care?

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# Palliative Care

- Palliative Care is meant to be an extra layer of support for anyone that has a chronic or life-limiting disease.
- Palliative Care looks at the whole patient and support system to make recommendations for physical, psychosocial and spiritual needs.
- Palliative Care can be given at the beginning of diagnosis through the trajectory of the disease(s) to EOL.
- The earlier Palliative Care can establish care in the disease process, the more impact we can make.



# Palliative Care vs. Hospice

## Palliative Care

Multidisciplinary approach to specialized medical care for people with serious illness. Focused on providing patients with relief from physical, mental and spiritual symptoms of serious illness – whatever the diagnosis. Goal is to improve quality of life for both the patient and the family.

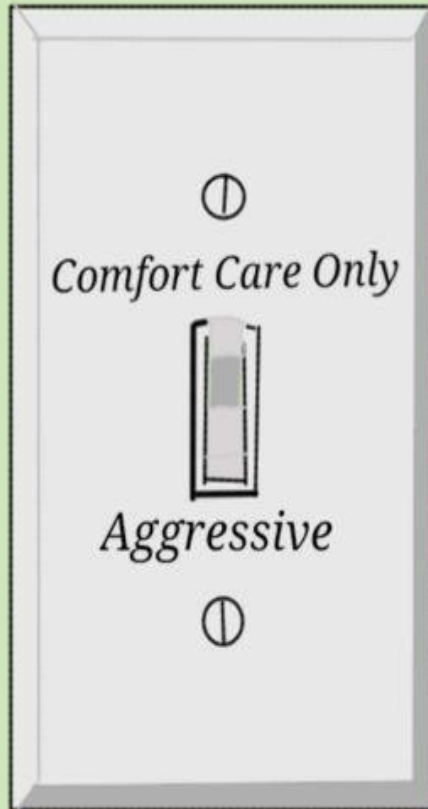
## Hospice

Is palliative care provided when a patient has a life limiting illness and is expected to die in the next 6 months.

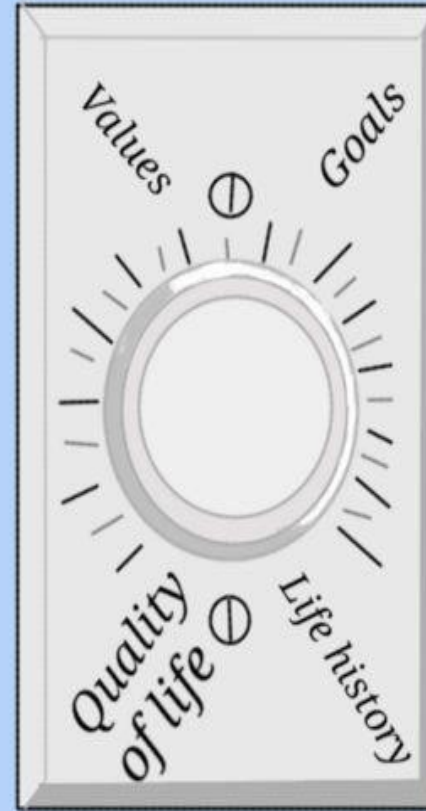


# What Is Advance Care Planning?

## MOST ADVANCE DIRECTIVES



## NARRATIVE DIRECTIVE



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# What is Advance Care Planning?

*Advance Care Planning (ACP) helps design a treatment strategy or plan for the health care team to follow when patients have a sudden, devastating illness or a serious, advanced illness. This planning allows health care professionals to understand the patient's goals of care so they match the type of care that they receive.*



Ongoing process of developing future medical care plans



Not a “one size fits all” discussion. Must be individualized to patient readiness and stage of health

## Living Will

- gives patients the “right to make choices and decisions about the types and extent of medical care they wish for themselves”
- Patients can specify if they want to *accept* or *refuse* specific medical care
- A legal document that requires physician interpretation
- Does not need to be notarized, but does need the document to be witnessed by two people not related by blood or marriage AND would not benefit financially from patient’s death

## Health Care Power of Attorney

- Identifies the decision maker when the patient no longer can or no longer desires to make personal health care decisions
- Only goes into effect when the patient is unable to make decisions, even if the family disagrees with the patient’s decisions
- Does not need a lawyer to complete
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## LaPOST

- The LaPOST document gives patients with serious advanced illness and frailty the ability to state their own preferences for medical care if they become unable to communicate.
- It is a physician’s order that outlines a patient’s wishes for medical treatment and goals of care when the patient has a known serious, advanced illness.
- The LaPOST document is transferable among health care settings and enhances communication among health care professionals with the patient at the center.
- The LaPOST document may be changed or revoked at any time by the patient or the patient’s health care representative if there is new knowledge of a change in the patient’s medical condition or personal wishes.

**The Kind of Medical Treatment I Want or Do Not Want**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, believe that my life is precious and I deserve to be treated with dignity. If the time comes that I am very sick and am not able to speak for myself, I would like for my wishes to be respected and followed. The instructions that I am including in this section are for my family, my doctors and other health care providers. My friends and all others know the kind of medical treatment that I want or do not want.

If at any time I should have an incurable injury, disease, or illness, or be in a continual, profound comatose state with no reasonable chance of recovery, certified to be in a terminal and irreversible condition by two physicians who have personally examined me, one of whom shall be my attending physician, and the physicians have determined that my death will occur whether or not life-sustaining procedures are utilized and where the application of life-sustaining procedures would serve only to prolong artificially the dying process, I would like the following instructions to be followed.

(Choose one of the following):

That all life-sustaining procedures, including nutrition and hydration, be withheld or withdrawn so that food and water will not be administered invasively.

That life-sustaining procedures, except nutrition and hydration, be withheld or withdrawn so that food and water can be administered invasively.

I further direct 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.

In the absence of my ability to give directions regarding the use of such life-sustaining procedures, it is my intention that this declaration shall be honored by my family and physician(s) as the final expression of my legal right to refuse medical or surgical treatment and accept the consequences from such refusal.

I understand the full impact of this declaration, and I am emotionally and mentally competent to make this decision.

This declaration is made and signed by me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year \_\_\_\_\_, in the presence of the undersigned witnesses who are not entitled to any portion of my estate.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. The Declarant is and has personally been known to me, and I believe the Declarant to be of sound mind. I am not related to the Declarant by blood or marriage and would not be entitled to any portion of Declarant’s estate upon his/her death. I was physically present and personally witnessed the Declarant execute the foregoing Declaration.

WITNESS SIGNATURE / Print Witness Name / Date / Time \_\_\_\_\_  
Medical Record Copy

Form No. 00128-8 (Rev. 1-21-2015)

**POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR HEALTH CARE DECISIONS**

**The Person I Want to Make Health Care Decisions for Me When I Cannot Make Them for Myself**

If I, \_\_\_\_\_, being of sound mind, am no longer able to make my own health care decisions, the person I choose as my Health Care Power of Attorney is:

First Choice Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

If this person is not able or willing to make these choices for me, OR is divorced or legally separated from me, OR that person has died, then these people are my next choices:

Second Choice Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Third Choice Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that my Health Care Power of Attorney can make health care decisions for me, including decisions concerning the withholding or withdrawal of life-sustaining procedures.

Such Health Care Power of Attorney has full authority to make such decisions as fully, completely and effectually, and by all means and purposes with the same validity as if such decisions had been personally made by me. This Health Care Power of Attorney is effective immediately and serves to revoke and supersede any prior Health Care Power of Attorney I have previously executed. This Health Care Power of Attorney will continue until it is revoked.

This declaration is made and signed by me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year \_\_\_\_\_, in the presence of the undersigned witnesses who are not entitled to any portion of my estate.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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Form No. 00128-8 (Rev. 6-13-2010) POA

**LOUISIANA PHYSICIAN ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT (LaPOST)**

LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST NAME/MIDDLE NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ MEDICAL RECORD NUMBER (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

PATIENT’S DIAGNOSIS OF LIFE LIMITING DISEASE AND IRREVERSIBLE CONDITION: \_\_\_\_\_  
GOALS OF CARE: \_\_\_\_\_

**A. CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR):** PERSON IS UNRESPONSIVE, PULSELESS AND IS NOT BREATHING  
 CPR/Advanced Resuscitation program full treatment as section B2  
 DNR/Do Not Attempt Resuscitation (After Natural Death) [When not in cardiopulmonary arrest, follow orders in B and C.]

**B. MEDICAL INTERVENTIONS:** PERSON HAS PULSE OR IS BREATHING  
 FULL TREATMENT (primary goal of restoring the patient to a fully effective state. Use treatments in Subsection Treatment and Comfort Pocused treatment.)  
 SELECTIVE TREATMENT (primary goal of treating medical conditions while avoiding burdensome treatments) Use treatments in Comfort Pocused treatment. Do not include treatments in Subsection FULL TREATMENT AND NUTRITION. (Always offer food/fluids by mouth as tolerated.)  
 COMFORT FOCUSED TREATMENT (primary goal is maintaining comfort) Use medication by any route to provide pain and symptom management. Do not include full typical treatments of disease progression as described by below symptoms. Do not use treatments listed in full or selective treatment ADDITIONAL ORDER(S) (e.g., sedation, etc.)

Medically assisted carbon dioxide and hydration to comfort when: \_\_\_\_\_  
A respiratory or circulatory support device \_\_\_\_\_ should be more burdensome than beneficial. \* would cause significant physical discomfort

Has artificial nutrition by tube. \_\_\_\_\_  
 The period of artificial nutrition by tube, if needed. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Long term artificial nutrition by tube, if needed. \_\_\_\_\_

**D. SUMMARY:**  
(Encouraged with:  Patient (Patient has capacity)  Personal Health Care Representative (PHCR)  
The basis for these orders is:  
 Patient’s (Declaration) (on file and/or non-recorded)  Advance Directive (detail) \_\_\_\_\_ available and revocable  
 Patient’s Personal Health Care Representative  Advance Directive not available  
(Qualified Patient without capacity)  Patient’s Advance Directive, if included, patient has completed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Patient’s Advance Directive, if included, patient has not completed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Health care agent if named in Advance Directive: \_\_\_\_\_  
measures if patient lacks mental decision-making capacity. Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Resuscitation would be medically non-beneficial. Price: \_\_\_\_\_

This form is voluntary and the signatures below indicate that the physician orders are consistent with the patient’s medical condition and treatment plan and are the known desires or to the best interest of the patient who is the subject of this declaration.

PRINT PHYSICIAN NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE (MANDATORY) \_\_\_\_\_ PHYSICIAN PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ DATE (MANDATORY) \_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT PATIENT OR PHCR NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PATIENT OR PHCR SIGNATURE (MANDATORY) \_\_\_\_\_ DATE (MANDATORY) \_\_\_\_\_  
PHCR RELATIONSHIP \_\_\_\_\_ PHCR ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ PHCR PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**SEND FORM WITH PERSON WHENEVER TRANSFERRED OR DISCHARGED**

USE OF ORIGINAL FORM IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED. PHOTOGRAPHIC AND FAXED OR SCANNED COPIES FORMS ARE LEGAL AND VALID.

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# Hierarchy of Medical Decision- Making

# Louisiana's Legal Hierarchy of Medical Decision-Making

Every state has laws that govern who can make medical decisions for a patient in the event he becomes unable to make medical decisions for himself. The following is the hierarchy of medical decision makers in Louisiana:

- Someone whom the patient has previously designated in writing as the medical decision maker (either by declaration before 2 witnesses or through a written healthcare power of attorney).
- A judicially appointed curator or tutor
- The patient's spouse, not judicially separated
- Adult children of the patient (by majority)
- The parents of the patient
- The patient's sibling (by majority)
- The patient's other relatives (by majority)

*Source: Koppel, A., JD, Sullivan, S., JD. Legal Considerations in End of Life Decision-Making in Louisiana. The Ochsner Journal, v.11(4); Winter, 2011.*





# Checking ACP in EPIC during hospital admission

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**NZ**

**Zztelemasterone, Nancy**

Female 38 y.o., 11/11/1981  
MRN: 10468267

**Preferred Language: English**

Bed: BAPH ICU-BICU 1-BICU 01A  
Code: Not on file (no ACP docs)

Search

Isolation: None

**Jim Urgent, MD**  
Attending

**ALLERGIES**  
Sulfa (Sulfonamide Antibiotics)


**ADMIT TO ICU: 8/7/2017 (1093D 18H)**  
Patient Class: IP- Inpatient  
Expected Discharge: 1092 d ago  
No active principal problem


Ht: 5' 4" (162.6 cm) >365 days  
Last Wt: 59 kg (130 lb) >30 days  
BMI: —

**ACKNOWLEDGE ORDERS (3)**

**NO NEW RESULTS, LAST 36H**

**NO ACTIVE MEDS**

 The Storyboard summarizes the key elements of the patient story, like a trusted

 We've simplified your activity tabs so the ones you use most often are front and center. The tabs you use less frequently are under the dropdown button, and you can modify using the wrench.

**Current Code Status**  
This patient does not have a recorded code status. Follow your organizational policy for patients in this situation.

**Advance Care Planning Documents**  
There are no Advance Care Planning documents on file.

Welcome to the improved patient chart.





**NZ**

**Zztelemasterone, Nancy**  
Female, 38 y.o., 11/11/1981  
MRN: 10468287

**Preferred Language: English**

Bed: BAPH ICU-BICU 1-BICU 01A  
Code: Not on file (no ACP docs)

Search

Isolation: None

**Jim Urgent, MD**  
Attending

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### Advance Care Planning

- ACP Documents
- ACP Notes
- Directives
- CODE STATUS
- Code Status

#### Documents

##### Advance Care Planning Documents

There are no Advance Care Planning documents on file.

[Jump to Document List to update filed documents](#)

#### Filed Advance Care Planning Notes

##### Advance Care Planning Notes

No notes found

[Create ACP Note](#)

#### Healthcare Directives

[+ New Reading](#)

No data found.

#### Code Status

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- Summary
- Chart Review
- Results
- Work List
- MAR
- Flowsheets
- Intake/Output
- Notes
- Care Plan
- Education
- Clinical References
- Orders
- Immunizations
- Code Documentation
- Charge Capture
- Navigators
- Welcome
- Advance

**Advance Care Planning**

ACP Documents  
 ACP Notes  
**Directives**

CODE STATUS  
 Code Status

**Healthcare Directives**

Time taken: 8/5/2020 0958 Responsible Create Note

Show Last Filed Value  Show

**Advance Directives (For Healthcare)**

Advance Directive (If Adv Dir status is received, view document under Adv Dir in header or Chart Review Media tab)

Advance Directive currently in Epic. Advance Directive received from patient today. (Meets all criteria- Signature, Date, 2 Witnesses) Patient has advance directive, copy not received.

Patient does not have Advance Directive, requests information. Patient does not have Advance Directive, declines information. Unable to assess Patient is a minor

[Click here to open and print the blank "Ochsner Advanced Directives Fax Cover Page" \(CLINIC USE ONLY\).](#)  
[Click here to open and print the "How to Start the Conversation about Advance Care Planning \(English\)".](#)  
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**Patient Requests Assistance**

Handouts provided  Place consult order to case manager/social services  Place consult order to chaplain  Patient will do independently  Advise to complete post discharge  Other (Comment)

Create Note

Restore Close Cancel

**Code Status**

Current Code Status

Date Active	Code Status	Order ID	Comments	User	Context
Not on file					



# Checking ACP in EPIC during clinic visit

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**Achilles, Max**  
 Male, 61 y.o., 3/14/1960  
 MRN: 10471076  
 Preferred Language: English  
 Scheduled 06:23  
 Code: Not on file (no ACP docs)

**Diana McQueenie, MD**  
 PCP - General  
 Primary Cvg: Self Pay  
 Allergies: **Venom-wasp**  
 Outpatient Medications: 3  
 MyChart Not Active

8:00 AM ESTABLISHED PATIENT VISIT for Dysphagia  
 Ht: 6' (1.829 m)  
 Wt: 95.3 kg (210 lb)  
 BMI: **28.48 kg/m<sup>2</sup> !**  
 BP: 115/75  
 Pulse: 80

SINCE LAST COVINGTON - FAMILY MEDICINE VISIT  
 No visits  
 No results

CARE GAPS  
 Hepatitis C Screening  
 HIV Screening  
 COVID-19 Vaccine (1)  
 TETANUS VACCINE  
 4 more care gaps

PROBLEM LIST (4)

SOCIAL DETERMINANTS

**Plan**

Goals Problem List BestPractice Visit Diagnoses

**Patient Goals**

Search for new goal + Add

Use the box to the upper left to add a new goal.

**Problem List** + Care Coordination Note

Problem List is currently read-only. Show:  Past Problems

Diagnosis	Sort Priority
Endocrine	
Diabetes mellitus, type 2	Unprioritized
Other	
Hyperlipidemia	Unprioritized
Hypertension	Unprioritized
Lump in thyroid	Unprioritized ✓

Last Reviewed by Diana McQueenie, MD on 4/26/2021 at 7:52 AM

**BestPractice Advisories**

No advisories to address.

**Visit Diagnoses**

Search for new diagnosis + Add Common Previous Problems

P	ICD-10-CM	ICD-9-CM	
1.	Lump in thyroid	E07.9 246.9	Change Dx

Opioid Monitoring SmartSets Meds & Orders

**Opioid Monitoring**

SmartSets

Search for new SmartSet + Add

Suggestions

Overdue Health Maintenance

Open SmartSets  Clear Selection

**Medications & Orders** + Comments

+ Patient-Reported

Placing a new order?  
 Use the Visit Taskbar at the bottom of your screen to add, edit, and sign orders at any point during a visit. + Add Order Dismiss

View medications as of:  Now  Visit on 4/26/2021

Name	Dose, Frequency	
Outpatient and Clinic-Administered Medications		
atorvastatin (LIPITOR) 20 MG tablet	20 mg, Daily	
metformin (GLUCOPHAGE) 500 MG tablet	500 mg, 2 times daily with meals	
nadolol (CORCARD) 40 MG tablet	40 mg, Daily	
Outpatient Procedures Ordered This Visit		
Cytology Specimen-FNA-Pathologist Performed		

Mark as Reviewed Last Reviewed by Diana McQueenie, MD on 9/18/2021 at 10:50 AM

Click here to select a pharmacy

Associate Signed Orders Patient Estimate Providers Current Interactions



**Achilles, Max**  
 Male, 61 y.o., 3/14/1960  
 MRN: 10471076  
 Preferred Language: English

Scheduled 06:25  
 Code: Not on file (no ACP docs)

Primary Cvg: Self Pay  
 Allergies: **Venom-wasp**  
 Outpatient Medications: 3  
 MyChart Not Active

8:00 AM ESTABLISHED PATIENT VISIT  
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Associate Signed Orders Patient Estimate Providers Current Interactions

**MA**

**Achilles, Max**  
Male, 61 y.o., 3/14/1960  
MRN: 10471076  
Preferred Language: English  
Scheduled 06:27  
Code: Not on file (no ACP docs)

Allergies: **Venom-wasp**

Outpatient Medications: 3  
MyChart Not Active

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Start Review

ACP Documents  
ACP Notes

CODE STATUS  
Code Status


CONVERSATIONS  
Serious Illness C...

**Documents**

**Advance Care Planning Documents**

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LaPOST Registry (no docs on file) 

**Filed Advance Care Planning Notes**

**Advance Care Planning Notes**

No notes found  
[Create ACP Note](#)

**Code Status**

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**Serious Illness Conversation Guide**

Serious Illness Conversation Guide

Patient understanding of illness:  
Information sharing preferences:  
Prognosis shared with patient:  
Patient emotions observed or reported:  
Patient goals:  
Patient fears and worries:  
Sources of strength:  
Critical abilities:  
Trade-offs:  
Family understanding:  
Recommendations:





Printing ACP documents  
in EPIC during clinic visit

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### 4/28/2021 visit with Diana McQueenie, MD for ESTABLISHED PATIENT SHORT - Difficulty swallowing

Images References Answer Pt-Qnr (Active) Admin Benefits Inquiry SmartSets Open Orders Care Teams Preview AVS Print AVS Media Manager Request Outside Records Patient Label Legacy Documents

BestPractice Visit Info Vital Signs Home BP Cuff Additional Vitals Fall Risk ACP Documents ACP Notes Directives Answer Qnrs Care Everywhere Allergies/Adverse Reaction Verify Rx Benefits Medications History

Patient Portal Signup PHQ-2 PHQ-4 Social Determinants

BestPractice Advisories  
No advisories to address.

#### Visit Information

**Chief Complaint**  
Dysphagia

**Follow-up**  
Urinary Tract Infection  
Abdominal Pain

**Recent Visits with Diana McQueenie, MD**

Date	Primary Dx	Provider
11/15/2020	Type 2 diabetes mellitus without complication, unspecified long term insulin use status	Mickey Quinn, MD
09/01/2015	Diabetes mellitus	Mickey Quinn, MD
11/04/2014	Diabetes mellitus	Mickey Quinn, MD

**Vital Signs**

New Set of Vitals

4/28/21 7:50 AM		Other Vitals	
BP	130/87	BMI	28.48 kg/m <sup>2</sup>
BP Location	Left arm	BSA	2.20 m <sup>2</sup>
Patient Position	Sitting	Tobacco	
BP Method	Large (Automatic)	Smoking Status	Former Smoker (Quit: 03/16/2008)
Pulse	80	Used	Cigarettes
Resp	22 !	Packs/day	0
Temp	98.5 F (36.9 C)	Years	0
Temp src	Oral	Counseling given	Not Answered
SpO2	99%	Smokeless Status	Never Used
Weight	95.3 kg (210 lb)	Reviewed	9/26/2021
Height	6' (1.829 m)		
Pain Score	0-No pain		

Home BP Cuff Calibration

**Achilles, Max**  
Male, 61 y.o., 3/16/1960  
MRN: 10471190  
Preferred Language: English  
Scheduled 08:12  
Code: Not on file (no ACP docs)

**Diana McQueenie, MD**  
PCP - General  
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**SOCIAL DETERMINANTS**

Start Review

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**Achilles, Max**  
Male, 61 y.o., 3/16/1960  
MRN: 10471190  
Preferred Language: English  
 Scheduled 08:14  
Code: Not on file (no ACP docs)

**Diana McQueenie, MD**  
PCP - General  
Primary Cvg: Self Pay  
Allergies: **Venom-wasp**  
Outpatient Medications: 3

8:00 AM ESTABLISHED PATIENT VISIT  
for Dysphagia; Follow-up;  
Urinary Tract Infection;  
Abdominal Pain  
Ht: 6' (1.829 m)  
Wt: 95.3 kg (210 lb)  
BMI: **28.48 kg/m<sup>2</sup> !**  
BP: 130/87  
Pulse: 80

SINCE LAST COVINGTON - FAMILY MEDICINE VISIT  
No visits  
No results

CARE GAPS  
Hepatitis C Screening  
HIV Screening  
COVID-19 Vaccine (1)  
TETANUS VACCINE  
3 more care gaps

PROBLEM LIST (4)

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Chart Review Snapshot Rooming LACDRN Hearing/Vision Notes Plan Education Wrap-Up Communications Welcome

### 4/28/2021 visit with Diana McQueenie, MD for ESTABLISHED PATIENT SHORT - Difficulty swallowing

Images References Answer Pt-Qnr (Captive) Admin Benefits Inquiry SmartSets Open Orders Care Teams Preview AVS Print AVS Media Manager Request Outside Records Patient Label Legacy Documents

BestPractice Visit Info Vital Signs Home BP Cuff Additional Vitals Fall Risk ACP Documents ACP Notes Directives Answer Qnrs Care Everywhere Allergies/Adverse Reaction Verify Rx Benefits Medications History

#### Healthcare Directives

Advance Directives (For Healthcare)

Advance Directive (If Adv Dir status is received, view document under Adv Dir in header or Chart Review Media tab)

Advance Directive currently in Epic. Advance Directive received from patient today. (Meets all criteria- Signature, Date, 2 Witnesses) Patient has advance directive, copy not received. Patient does not have Advance Directive, requests information.  
Patient does not have Advance Directive, declines information. Unable to assess Patient is a minor

- [Click here to open and print the blank "Ochsner Advanced Directives Fax Cover Page" \(CLINIC USE ONLY\)](#)
- [Click here to open and print the "How to Start the Conversation about Advance Care Planning \(English\)"](#)
- [Click here to open and print the "How to Start the Conversation about Advance Care Planning \(Spanish\)"](#)
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- [Click here to open and print the blank "MSPOST" form](#)
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#### Patient Requests Assistance

Handouts provided  Patient will do independently  Refer to Patient Relations  Other (Comment)

Restore Close Cancel Previous Next

#### Answer Questionnaires

Answer Incomplete Questionnaires

#### Care Everywhere Outside Records (View Only)

This patient is not linked to any outside organizations.

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# EPIC Advance Care Planning Documentation

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MRN: 10471076  
Preferred Language: English  
Scheduled 06:38  
Code: Not on file (no ACP docs)

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Outpatient Medications: 3  
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Pulse: 80

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No results

CARE GAPS  
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● HIV Screening  
● COVID-19 Vaccine (1)  
● TETANUS VACCINE  
● 4 more care gaps

PROBLEM LIST (4)

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Notes

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Abbrev	Expansion
☆ ACP	(ACPOHS:26193)
☆ ACPAD	Advance Directives SmartForm that will appear in the ACP activity
☆ ACPBEGIN	Progress Note Sectioning Bookmark - ACP Begin
☆ ACPCODESTA...	@ACPBEGIN@ Code Status In light of the patient's advanced and te...
☆ ACPDATE	Date for ACP
☆ ACPDENY	Your Advance Directive did not meet Louisiana Law requirements. I...
☆ ACPEND	Progress Note Sectioning Bookmark - ACP End

Refresh (Ctrl+F11) Close (Esc)

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**MA**  
**Achilles, Max**  
Male, 61 y.o., 3/14/1960  
MRN: 10471076  
Preferred Language: English  
Scheduled 06:40

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SOCIAL DETERMINANTS

### Notes

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#### My Note

Advance Care Planning

Date: 04/26/2021  
[\[ACP:26193\]](#)

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{ACP_HCPOA.TXT,54705}  
{ACP_LIVING_WILL.TXT,54704}  
{ACP_GOC.TXT,54703}  
{ACP_CODE_STATUS.TXT,54702}  
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You can view any ACP note by selecting the blue hyperlink under the Date of Service. You may also select 'Edit' in order to make changes to documentation.

The '.ACP' SmartPhrase should be used within visit notes to document discussions you have with patients regarding Healthcare Power of Attorney, Living Will, Goals of Care, & Code Status. The information documented within this SmartPhrase will display in the ACP Notes section of the ACP activity.





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Male, 61 y.o., 3/14/1960  
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Preferred Language: English  
Scheduled 06:41  
Code: Not on file (no ACP docs)

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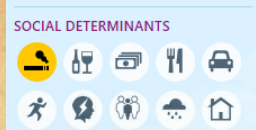
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No results

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PROBLEM LIST (4)



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### Notes

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My Note Tag Share w/ Patient

Advance Care Planning

Date: 04/26/2021

Today a meeting took place: {ACP Meeting Location:28172}

Patient Participation: {ACP Patient Participation:28173}

bedside
ICU
other (conference room) ***

Attendees (Name and Relationship to patient): {ACP Attendees:28174}

Staff attendees (Name and Role): \*\*\*

ACP Conversation (General): {ACP Conversation:28175} \*\*\*

ACP Documents: {ACP Documents:28176}

Goals of care: The {ACP PT FAMILY POA:28143} endorses that what is most important right now is to focus on {ACPPTFOUCS:26175}

Accordingly, we have decided that the best plan to meet the patient's goals includes {ACPPTFOUCS2:26189}

Recommendations/  
Follow-up tasks: {ACP Recommendations/Plans:28177}

Length of ACP conversation in minutes: {Enter in number of minutes:28178}

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 Male, 61 y.o., 3/14/1960  
 MRN: 10471076  
 Preferred Language: English  
 Scheduled 06:44  
 Code: Not on file (no ACP docs)

Allergies: **Venom-wasp**  
 Outpatient Medications: 3  
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 No results

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  - HIV Screening
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PROBLEM LIST (4)

SOCIAL DETERMINANTS

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Advance Care Planning

Date: 04/26/2021

Power of Attorney

I initiated the process of advance care planning today and explained the importance of this process to the patient. I introduced the concept of advance directives to the patient, as well. Then the patient received detailed information about the importance of designating a Health Care Power of Attorney (HCPOA). He was also instructed to communicate with this person about their wishes for future healthcare, should he become sick and lose decision-making capacity. The patient {Has/has not:18111} previously appointed a HCPOA. After our discussion, the patient {Has/has not:18111} decided to complete a HCPOA and has appointed his {ACP POA:26192}, health care agent: {ACP POA NAME:28026:\*\*\*\*} & health care agent number: {ACP F has NUMBER:28027:\*\*\*\*}. I spent a total time of \*\*\* minutes discussing this issue with the patient.

Living Will

During this visit, I engaged the {ACP PT FAMILY POA:27158} in the advance care planning process. The patient and I reviewed the role for advance directives and their purpose in directing future healthcare if the patient's unable to speak for him/herself. At this point in time, the patient does have full decision-making capacity. We discussed different extreme health states that he could experience, and reviewed what kind of medical care he would want in those situations. The {ACP PT FAMILY POA:27158} communicated that if he were comatose and had little chance of a meaningful recovery, he {would/not:28140} want machines/life-sustaining treatments used. In addition to the above preference, other important end-of-life issues for the patient include {ACP EOL ISSUES:28141:\*\*\*\*}, {ACP PT LIVING WILL:27182}. I spent a total of \*\*\* minutes engaging the patient in this advance care planning discussion.

GOC

I engaged the {ACP PT FAMILY POA:27158} in a conversation about advance care planning and we specifically addressed what the goals of care would be moving forward, in light of the patient's change in clinical status, specifically \*\*\*. We {did/did not:23019} specifically address the patient's likely prognosis, which is {Desc, good/fair/poor:18582}. We explored the patient's values and preferences for future care. The {ACP PT FAMILY POA:28143} endorses that what is most important right now is to focus on {ACPPTFOUCS:26175}

Accordingly, we have decided that the best plan to meet the patient's goals includes {ACPPTFOUCS2:26189}

I {did/did not:23019} explain the role for hospice care at this stage of the patient's illness, including its ability to help the patient live with the best quality of life possible. We {will/will not:21273} be making a hospice referral.

I spent a total of \*\*\* minutes engaging the patient in this advance care planning discussion.

Code Status

In light of the patient's advanced and life limiting illness, I engaged the the {ACP PT FAMILY POA:27158} in a conversation about the patient's preferences for care at the very end of life. The patient wishes to have a natural, peaceful death. Along those lines, the patient does not wish to have CPR or other invasive treatments performed when his heart and/or breathing stops. I communicated to the {ACP PT FAMILY POA:27158} that a {ACP DNR:27177}. I spent a total of \*\*\* minutes engaging the patient in this advance care planning discussion.

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“F2” button will take you through template quickly





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### Notes

**My Note**

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**GOC**  
 I engaged the patient and family in a conversation about advance care planning and we specifically addressed what the goals of care would be moving forward, in light of the patient's change in clinical status, specifically metastatic cancer. We did specifically address the patient's likely prognosis, which is poor. We explored the patient's values and preferences for future care. The patient and family endorses that what is most important right now is to focus on spending time at home, avoiding the hospital, remaining as independent as possible, symptom/pain control, quality of life, even if it means sacrificing a little time, improvement in condition but with limits to invasive therapies and comfort and QOL.

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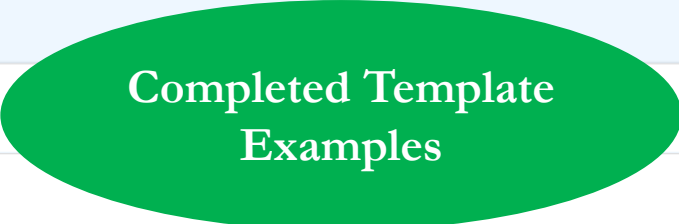
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80 minutes in total spent on ACP

ACP Code #99497 for 1<sup>st</sup> 30 minutes

ACP Modifier Code #99498 x 2 for additional 50 minutes

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# “Serious Illness” Guide in EPIC

# EPIC “Serious Illness” Template

Offers a working template for staff to have higher quality, patient centered conversations

Offers framework for staff to feel confident and empowered to have conversations with patients & caregivers

Can be completed by providers, nurses, social workers and chaplains

Enables Goals of Care to be an ongoing discussion, not single conversation

Ensures we are providing the right care, at the right time to the right patient

EPIC Serious Illness Guide can now be entered in EMR using “SICGCOVID” Template

The screenshot displays the EPIC EMR interface for patient Alfred J. Allen. The 'Advance Care Planning' section is active, showing the 'Serious Illness Conversation Guide' template. A red star highlights the 'Serious Illness C.' section. The form includes sections for patient understanding of illness, information sharing preferences, prognosis, patient goals, patient fears and worries, and sources of strength. The patient's name, age, gender, and MRN are visible in the top left. The 'Serious Illness Conversation Guide' form includes sections for patient understanding of illness, information sharing preferences, prognosis, patient goals, patient fears and worries, and sources of strength. The patient's name, age, gender, and MRN are visible in the top left. The 'Serious Illness Conversation Guide' form includes sections for patient understanding of illness, information sharing preferences, prognosis, patient goals, patient fears and worries, and sources of strength.



# Found in EPIC Banner

## Serious Illness Conversation Guide

### CONVERSATION FLOW

#### 1. Set up the conversation

- Introduce purpose
- Prepare for future decisions
- Ask permission

#### 2. Assess understanding and preferences

#### 3. Share prognosis

- Share prognosis
- Frame as a “wish...worry”, “hope...worry” statement
- Allow silence, explore emotion

#### 4. Explore key topics

- Goals
- Fears and worries
- Sources of strength
- Critical abilities
- Tradeoffs
- Family

#### 5. Close the conversation

- Summarize
- Make a recommendation
- Check in with patient
- Affirm commitment

#### 6. Document your conversation

#### 7. Communicate with key clinicians

## Serious Illness Conversation Guide

### PATIENT-TESTED LANGUAGE

SET UP “I’d like to talk about what is ahead with your illness and do some thinking in advance about what is important to you so that I can make sure we provide you with the care you want — **is this okay?**”

ASSESS “What is **your understanding** now of where you are with your illness?”  
“How much **information** about what is likely to be ahead with your illness would you like from me?”

SHARE “I want to share with you **my understanding** of where things are with your illness...”  
*Uncertain:* “It can be difficult to predict what will happen with your illness. I **hope** you will continue to live well for a long time but I’m **worried** that you could get sick quickly, and I think it is important to prepare for that possibility.”  
OR  
*Time:* “I **wish** we were not in this situation, but I am **worried** that time may be as short as \_\_\_ (express as a range, e.g. days to weeks, weeks to months, months to a year).”  
OR  
*Function:* “I **hope** that this is not the case, but I’m **worried** that this may be as strong as you will feel, and things are likely to get more difficult.”

EXPLORE “What are your most important **goals** if your health situation worsens?”  
“What are your biggest **fears and worries** about the future with your health?”  
“What gives you **strength** as you think about the future with your illness?”  
“What **abilities** are so critical to your life that you can’t imagine living without them?”  
“If you become sicker, **how much are you willing to go through** for the possibility of gaining more time?”  
“How much does your **family** know about your priorities and wishes?”

CLOSE “I’ve heard you say that \_\_\_ is really important to you. Keeping that in mind, and what we know about your illness, I **recommend** that we \_\_\_. This will help us make sure that your treatment plans reflect what’s important to you.”  
“How does this plan seem to you?”

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### Advance Care Planning

ACP Documents  
ACP Notes

CODE STATUS  
Code Status

CONVERSATIONS  
Serious Illness C...

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2:17 PM 4/26/2021

### Serious Illness Conversation Guide

Serious Illness Conversation Guide

Conversation was held with

patient power of attorney spouse son daughter brother sister significant other other - see comments

> Comments

Patient understanding of illness

What is your understanding now of where you are with your illness?

appropriate poor overestimates survival underestimates survival not discussed

> Comments

Information sharing preferences

How much information about what is likely to be ahead with your illness would you like from me?

wants to be fully informed does not want bad news wants the big picture without details wants information shared with someone else wants no information not discussed

> Comments

Prognosis shared with patient

I want to share with you my understanding of where things are with your illness.

curable incurable uncertain continued decline a few years survival months-to-years survival weeks-to-months survival days-to-weeks survival not discussed

> Comments

Patient emotions observed or reported

denial anger bargaining sadness anxiety tearfulness acceptance not discussed

> Comments

Patient goals

What are your most important goals if your health situation worsens?

achieving an important life goal being mentally aware providing support for family being at home being comfortable living as long as possible being independent not discussed

> Comments

Patient fears and worries

What are your biggest fears and worries about the future with your health?

pain physical suffering inability to care for others loss of control finances being a burden family concerns emotional concerns concerns about life meaning spiritual distress loss of dignity preparing for death getting unwanted treatments not discussed

> Comments

Sources of strength



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 Male, 61 y.o., 3/14/1960  
 MRN: 10471076  
**Preferred Language: English**  
 Scheduled 06:32  
 Code: Not on file (no ACP docs)

Chart Review Snapshot Rooming LACDRN Hearing/Vision Notes Plan Education Wrap-Up Communications Welcome Advance Care Planning

### Advance Care Planning

- ACP Documents
- ACP Notes
- CODE STATUS
- Code Status
- CONVERSATIONS
- Serious Illness C...

Search

Allergies: **Venom-wasp**

Outpatient Medications: 3  
MyChart Not Active

8:00 AM ESTABLISHED PATIENT VISIT  
 for Dysphagia  
 Ht: 6' (1.829 m)  
 Wt: 95.3 kg (210 lb)  
 BMI: **28.48 kg/m<sup>2</sup> !**  
 BP: 115/75  
 Pulse: 80

SINCE LAST COVINGTON - FAMILY MEDICINE VISIT

No visits  
 No results

CARE GAPS

- Hepatitis C Screening
- HIV Screening
- COVID-19 Vaccine (1)
- TETANUS VACCINE
- 4 more care gaps


PROBLEM LIST (4)

SOCIAL DETERMINANTS

Icons for: Food, Alcohol, Car, Home, Health, Family, Environment, Housing

> Comments

Patient fears and worries

What are your biggest fears and worries about the future with your health? 

pain	physical suffering	inability to care for others	loss of control	finances	being a burden	family concerns	emotional concerns
concerns about life meaning	spiritual distress	loss of dignity	preparing for death	getting unwanted treatments	not discussed		

> Comments

Sources of strength

What gives you strength as you think about the future of your illness?

family	friends or community	religious faith	not discussed
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> Comments

Critical abilities

What abilities are so critical to your life that you can't imagine living without them? Or, what makes life meaningful?

being conscious of surroundings	communicating with others	being able to care for oneself	living independently	not discussed
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> Comments

Trade-offs

If you become sicker, how much are you willing to go through for the possibility of gaining more time?

being on a ventilator	being in the ICU	living in a nursing home	undergoing invasive procedures	enduring physical discomfort	enduring severe pain	having artificial nutrition
being in the hospital	not discussed					

> Comments

Family understanding

How much does your family know about your priorities and wishes?

patient does not want family informed	patient has not discussed with family	patient has had some incomplete discussions with family	patient has had extensive discussions with family
patient plans to discuss with family independently	patient wants help discussing with family	patient wants clinician to discuss with family	not discussed


> Comments

Recommendations

I recommend that we do the following to make sure your treatment plans reflect what's important to you. How does this plan seem to you?

additional conversation with physician	conversation with family	advance directive	POLST or MOLST	second opinion	referral to pastoral care
referral to social work	referral to child life	referral to palliative care	referral to hospice	code status change	not discussed

> Comments

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# LaPOST

LOUISIANA PHYSICIAN ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT

# REGISTRY





# LaPOST

- Translates a patient's end-of-life wishes into a physician's order
- **Portable physician orders** -transfers with the patient across care settings
- Helps physicians, nurses, health care facilities and emergency personnel honor patient wishes regarding life-sustaining or emergency treatments
- Can be completed by the patient or the patient's personal health care representative if the patient is unable to participate
- Neither for nor against treatment
- Complementary with advance directives

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PATIENT'S DIAGNOSIS OF LIFE LIMITING DISEASE AND IRREVERSIBLE CONDITION: \_\_\_\_\_ GOALS OF CARE: \_\_\_\_\_

**A. CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR): PATIENT IS UNRESPONSIVE, PULSELESS AND IS NOT BREATHING**

CPR/Resuscitation (Requires full treatment in section B)  
 DNR/Do Not Attempt Resuscitation (Allow Natural Death) (When not in cardiopulmonary arrest, follow orders in B and C.)

**B. MEDICAL INTERVENTIONS: PATIENT HAS PULSE OR IS BREATHING**

FULL TREATMENT (primary goal of attempting to by all means effective means) Use treatments in Selective Treatment and Comfort Focused treatment. Do not include: barbiturate sedation, including analgesics and IV fluids as indicated. May use oral or rectal passive airway pressure (CPAP/BIPAP).

SELECTIVE TREATMENT (primary goal of meeting medical conditions while avoiding burdensome treatments) Use treatments in Comfort Focused treatment. Do not include: barbiturate sedation, including analgesics and IV fluids as indicated. May use oral or rectal passive airway pressure (CPAP/BIPAP).

COMFORT FOCUSED TREATMENT (primary goal is relieving suffering) Use medication by any route to provide pain and symptom management, unless contraindicated with goals of care. Transfer to hospital ONLY if comfort focused treatment cannot be provided in current setting.

**C. ARTIFICIALLY ADMINISTERED FLUIDS AND NUTRITION: (always offer food/fluids by mouth as tolerated)**

No artificial nutrition or fluids.  
 Short period of artificial nutrition by tube. Goal: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Long term artificial nutrition by tube. If needed: \_\_\_\_\_

**D. SUMMARY**

Discussed with:  Patient (Patient has capacity)  Personal Health Care Representative (PHCR)

The basis for these orders is:

Patient's decision (can be oral or nonverbal)  
 Patient's Personal Health Care Representative  
 Qualified Patient without capacity  
 Patient's Advance Directive, if indicated, patient has completed an additional document that provides guidance for treatment whenever it lacks the medical decision-making capacity  
 Resuscitation would be medically non-beneficial

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINT PHYSICIAN'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE (MANDATORY): \_\_\_\_\_ PHYSICIAN PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE (MANDATORY): \_\_\_\_\_

PRINT PATIENT OR PHCR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PATIENT OR PHCR SIGNATURE (MANDATORY): \_\_\_\_\_ DATE (MANDATORY): \_\_\_\_\_

PHCR RELATIONSHIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHCR ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ PHCR PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

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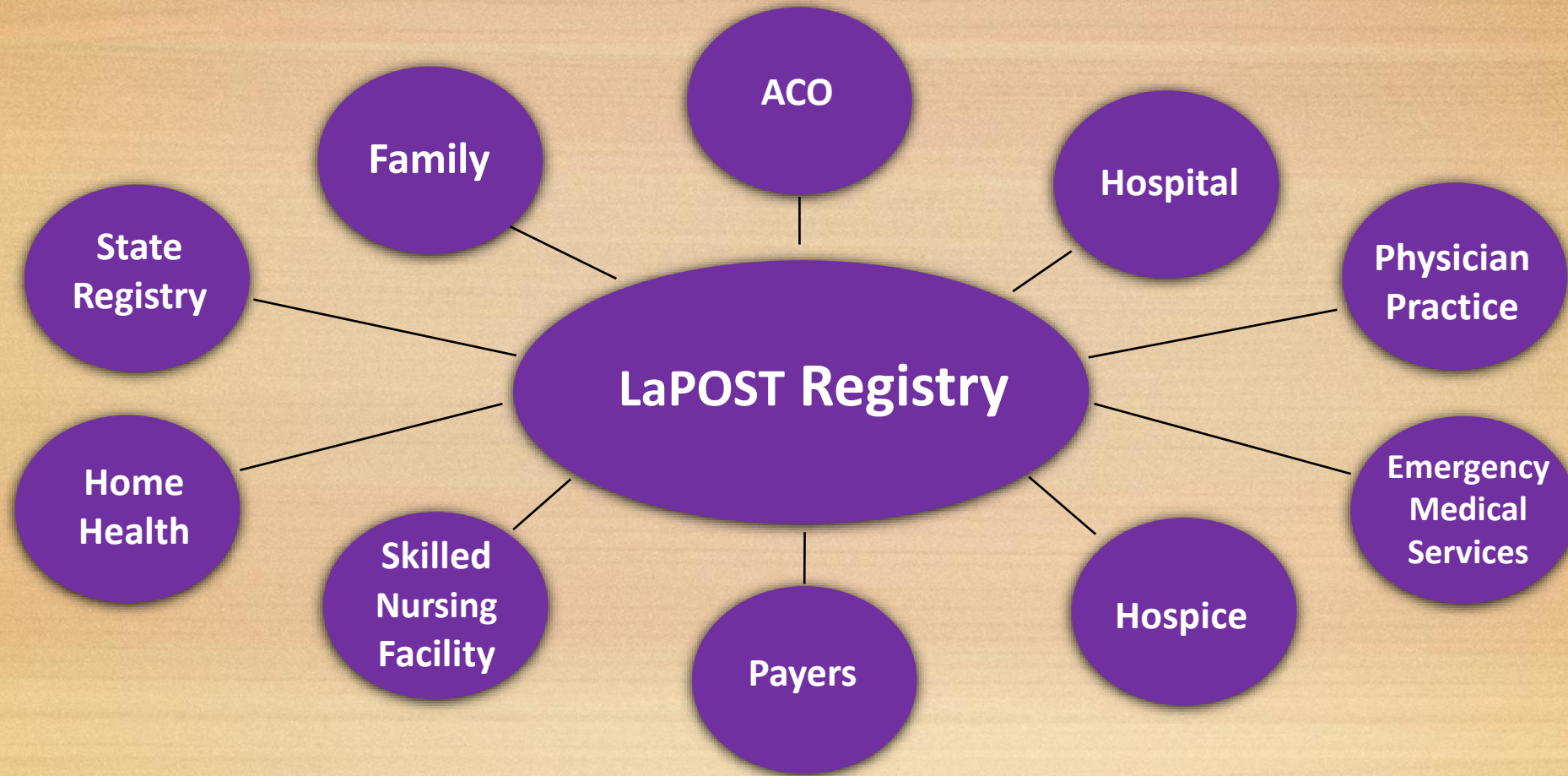
*The Louisiana LaPOST Registry is a secure, statewide electronic registry that provides a single source of truth for LaPOST and advance care planning documentation. It is instantly accessible online to authorized health care professionals in any care setting.*





# LaPOST Registry Solution

Statewide Electronic End-of-Life Medical Orders Registry



LaPOST



# Epic Integrated LaPOST Registry – Key Benefits

- Offers health care providers an online tool to electronically complete and submit accurate, legally valid, error-free LaPOST forms
- Offers one-click access from Epic to a sustainable, statewide LaPOST registry network
- Provides a simple, intuitive user interface
- Provides a single source of truth for LaPOST documents
- Enhanced ACP Conversations with embedded educational resources
- Renders a printable PDF of the LaPOST form in all state-supported languages



# Epic Integration

Vynca, FemaleVynca F... | TST | PHYSICIAN F. | EpicCare

SnapShot with Recent Visits | Chart Review | History | Graphs | Demographics | Plan of Care | Problem List | Encounter

**RV**

**Vynca, Registry Female "FemaleVynca"**  
Female, 60 y.o., 10/5/1960  
MRN: 10445496  
Code: FULL (has ACP docs)

COVID-19: Unknown  
Marlene Marie Broussard, MD  
PCP - General  
Coverage: None  
Allergies: Not on File  
Digital Medicine: Not Eligible

OUTPATIENT MEDICATIONS  
0

MyChart Not Active  
Ht: —  
Wt: —  
BM: —  
BP: —

LAST 3YR  
End Scope, Gastro  
No results

CARE GAPS  
Hepatitis C Screening  
Lipid Panel  
HIV Screening  
TETANUS VACCINE  
5 more care gaps

PROBLEM LIST (0)

Social Determinants

**SnapShot with Recent Visits**

Demographics  
FemaleVynca Female Vynca  
60 year old female  
142 Dianne Dr.  
SAINT ROSE LA 70087  
504-469-6834 (M)  
504-703-5489 (H)

Preferred Pharmacies  
None

Significant History/Details  
Smoking: Never Assessed  
Smokeless Tobacco: Unknown  
Alcohol: Not on File  
Preferred Language: English

Medical History  
None

Surgical History  
None

Socioeconomic History  
Marital Status: Married  
Preferred Language: English  
Ethnicity: Latino/Latina/Hispanic  
Race: White

Specialty Comments  
No comments regarding your specialty

Family Comments  
None

Allergies/Adverse Reaction  
Not on File

Last 1yr  
Oct 19: Documentation Only with End Scope - Abraham, M  
Oct 05: Office Visit with Gastro - Manas, K  
Infection (Primary Dx)

Problem List  
None

Tobacco History  
Smoking Status: Never Assessed  
Smokeless Tobacco Status: Unknown

Family History  
None

Medications  
None

Immunizations/Injections  
None

Episodes  
\*\* None \*\*

Reminders and Results  
None

Registries  
Wellness  
Wellness Registry: All  
Added 10/5/2020



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MyChart Not Active

10/5 ESTABLISHED PATIENT VISIT  
Ht: —  
Wt: —  
BMI: —  
BP: —

LAST 3YR  
No visits  
No results

CARE GAPS

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PROBLEM LIST (0)

Social Determinants

### Advance Care Planning

ACP Documents  
ACP Notes

CODE STATUS  
Code Status

#### Documents

##### Advance Care Planning Documents

Document Type	Status	Received On	Description
<a href="#">Healthcare Power of Attorney</a>	Received	10/22/20	HCPOA.jpg
<a href="#">Living Will</a>	Received	10/22/20	LIVINGWILL.jpg

[Jump to Document List to update filed documents](#)

**LaPOST Registry (has docs on file)**

#### Filed Advance Care Planning Notes

##### Advance Care Planning Notes

[Create ACP Note](#)

Date of Service	Author	Author Type	Status
10/05/20 1645	Physician Family Medicine, MD	Physician	Signed

#### Code Status

##### Current Code Status

Date Active	Code Status	Order ID	Comments	User	Context
10/22/2020 1054	Full Code	238938519		Physician Family Medicine, MD	Outpatient

##### Code Status History

This patient has a current code status but no historical code status.

This Visit

More Notes

Current as of: Monday November 9, 2020 9:36 AM. Click to refresh.

**Specialty Comments** Edit Show All  
No comments regarding your specialty

**My Last Relevant Note**  
There are no notes for this patient that meet the current filters.

**Family Comments** Edit  
None

**Care Team and Communications**  
No referring provider set

PCPs	Type
Marlene Marie Broussard, MD	General

No other patient care team members

Visit Treatment Team	Relationship
Kenneth J. Manas, MD	Consulting Physician

Start Review

+ ADD ORDER + ADD DX (1)

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### Vynca: ACP Dashboard

REGISTRY VYNCA  
DOB: Oct 05, 1960 (Female, 60 y/o)

Report a problem Connect Smart Device PHYSICIAN FAMILY MEDICINE

## ADVANCE CARE PLANNING DASHBOARD

Start a NEW LaPOST



Current LaPOST View LaPOST →

<p><b>Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation</b></p> <p>Do Not Attempt Resuscitation / DNAR</p>	<p><b>Medical Interventions</b></p> <p>Selective Treatment</p>	<p><b>Artificially Administered Fluids and Nutrition</b></p> <p>Defined Trial Period of Artificial Nutrition by Tube</p>
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Data from: ochsner

### ALL DOCUMENTS

Start a NEW LaPOST

LOUISIANA PATIENT CARE DECISION FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT **CURRENT**

LOUISIANA PATIENT CARE DECISION FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT **VOID**

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LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 FIRST NAME/MIDDLE NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ MEDICAL RECORD NUMBER (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

PATIENT'S DIAGNOSIS OF LIFE LIMITING DISEASE AND IRREVERSIBLE CONDITION:

GOALS OF CARE:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**A. CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR): PERSON IS UNRESPONSIVE, PULSELESS AND IS NOT BREATHING**

CHECK ONE  CPR/Attempt Resuscitation (requires full treatment in section B)  DNR/Do Not Attempt Resuscitation (Allow Natural Death) When not in cardiopulmonary arrest, follow orders in B and C.

**B. MEDICAL INTERVENTIONS: PERSON HAS PULSE OR IS BREATHING**

CHECK ONE  FULL TREATMENT (primary goal of prolonging life by all medically effective means) Use treatments in Selective Treatment and Comfort Focused treatment. Use mechanical ventilation, advanced airway interventions and cardioversion if indicated.  
 SELECTIVE TREATMENT (primary goal of treating medical conditions while avoiding burdensome treatments) Use treatments in Comfort Focused treatment. Use medical treatment, including antibiotics and IV fluids as indicated. May use non invasive positive airway pressure (CPAP/BiPAP). Do not intubate. Generally avoid intensive care.  
 COMFORT FOCUSED TREATMENT (primary goal is maximizing comfort) Use medication by any route to provide pain and symptom management. Use oxygen, suctioning and manual treatment of airway obstruction as needed to relieve symptoms. (Do not use treatments listed in full or selective treatment unless consistent with goals of care. Transfer to hospital ONLY if comfort focused treatment cannot be provided in current setting.)  
 ADDITIONAL ORDERS: (e.g. dialysis, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Medically assisted nutrition and hydration is optional when it  
 • cannot reasonably be expected to prolong life • would be more burdensome than beneficial • would cause significant physical discomfort

**C. ARTIFICIALLY ADMINISTERED FLUIDS AND NUTRITION: (Always offer food/fluids by mouth as tolerated)**

CHECK ONE  No artificial nutrition by tube.  Trial period of artificial nutrition by tube. (Goal: \_\_\_\_\_)  
 Long-term artificial nutrition by tube. (if needed)

**D. SUMMARY**

Discussed with:  Patient (Patient has capacity)  Personal Health Care Representative (PHCR)

The basis for these orders is:

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY  Patient's declaration (can be oral or nonverbal)  Advance Directive dated \_\_\_\_\_, available and reviewed  
 Patient's Personal Health Care Representative (Qualified Patient without capacity)  Advance Directive not available  
 Patient's Advance Directive, if indicated, patient has completed an additional document that provides guidance for treatment measures if he/she loses medical decision-making capacity.  No Advance Directive  
 Resuscitation would be medically non-beneficial.  Health care agent if named in Advance Directive:  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

This form is voluntary and the signatures below indicate that the physician orders are consistent with the patient's medical condition and treatment plan and are the known desires or in the best interest of the patient who is the subject of the document.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 PRINT PHYSICIAN'S NAME      PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE (MANDATORY)      PHYSICIAN PHONE NUMBER      DATE (MANDATORY)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 PRINT PATIENT OR PHCR NAME      PATIENT OR PHCR SIGNATURE (MANDATORY)      DATE (MANDATORY)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 PHCR RELATIONSHIP      PHCR ADDRESS      PHCR PHONE NUMBER

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# Respecting Choices 2021

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## PRIORITIES FOR MEDICAL CARE AND TREATMENT OPTIONS FOR SERIOUS ILLNESS

Priorities for Medical Care		
LIVING LONGER	MAINTAINING CURRENT HEALTH	COMFORT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Live as long as possible, even if I do not know who I am or who I am with</li> <li>Be in the hospital and receive all care my doctors think will help me, even if it means relying on machines to keep me alive</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Live longer, if quality of life and comfort can be achieved</li> <li>Be in the hospital, if needed, for effective care</li> <li>Stop treatment that does not work or makes me feel worse</li> <li>Allow a natural death if my heart or breathing stops</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Live the rest of my life focusing on my comfort and quality of life</li> <li>Avoid the hospital and being on machines</li> <li>Allow a natural death if my heart or breathing stops</li> </ul>

Treatment Options for Serious Illness		
FULL TREATMENT Sustaining life by all medically effective means	SELECTIVE TREATMENT Maintaining health while avoiding burdensome treatments	COMFORT-FOCUSED TREATMENT Maximizing comfort through symptom management
<p><b>Includes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medication and treatment to keep you comfortable</li> <li>Emotional and spiritual care</li> </ul>	<p><b>Includes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medication and treatment to keep you comfortable</li> <li>Emotional and spiritual care</li> </ul>	<p><b>Includes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medication and treatment to keep you comfortable</li> <li>Emotional and spiritual care</li> </ul>
<p><b>May include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Being in the hospital and Intensive Care Unit (ICU)</li> <li>A trial of full treatment, if desired, e.g., ventilator</li> <li>IV medications and IV fluids</li> <li>Long-term tube feedings</li> <li>CPR, intubation, and/or ventilator</li> </ul>	<p><b>May include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Being in the hospital but AVOIDING the ICU</li> <li>Non-invasive positive airway pressure</li> <li>A trial of selective treatment, if desired, e.g., non-invasive positive airway pressure</li> <li>IV medications and IV fluids</li> <li>Short-term tube feedings</li> </ul>	<p><b>May include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Being in the hospital ONLY if comfort needs not met</li> <li>Oxygen, suction, and manual treatment of airway for comfort</li> <li>Medications by mouth</li> <li>Food and fluids by mouth, if able</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Does NOT include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CPR, intubation, and/or ventilator</li> </ul>	<p><b>Does NOT include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CPR, intubation, and/or ventilator</li> </ul>

Respecting Choices teaches skills to having meaningful ACP discussions

Allows providers and staff opportunities to practice and refine skills at having conversation

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Certification allows participants to use copyrighted materials that aide in the discussions



# Respecting Choices Programs

First Steps	Who?	Where?
<p>Addresses Advance Care Planning among a healthy population, any age</p> <p>-HCPOA and LW discussion</p>	<p>Staff who room our patients:</p> <p>Nurses</p> <p>Medical Assistants</p>	<p>Outpatient (primary care)</p>
Advanced Steps	Who?	Where?
<p>Addresses Advance Care Planning among a chronically ill population who <i>may</i> be in their last 1-2 years of life</p> <p>-LaPOST discussion</p>	<p>MD/APP</p> <p>Nurses</p> <p>Social Workers</p> <p>Chaplain</p>	<p>Outpatient</p> <p>Inpatient</p>
SDMSI – Shared Decision Making in Serious Illness	Who?	Where?
<p>Addresses shared decision making with family, caregivers, &amp; patients in times where a patient is <b>CURRENTLY</b> facing difficult treatment choices</p>	<p>MD/APP</p>	<p>Inpatient</p> <p>Outpatient</p>

# Length of Class & Required Pre-Work

	<b>First Steps</b>	<b>Advanced Steps</b>	<b>SDMSI</b>
<b>Class time</b>	Full day	Full day	Half day
<b>Pre-work</b>	Online modules (4) assigned by Respecting Choices	Online modules (6) assigned by Respecting Choices	none



# Respecting Choices

To register for Respecting Choices classes:

- Contact Kori DiGiovanni at [kori.digiovanni@ochsner.org](mailto:kori.digiovanni@ochsner.org)
- Send email to [palliativemedicine@ochsner.org](mailto:palliativemedicine@ochsner.org)

# Resources for Advance Care Planning & Spiritual Care

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# Louisiana Physician For Scope Of Treatment LaPOST

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• [www.La-POST.org](http://www.La-POST.org)

- Webpage has section “What My Cultural /Religious Heritage Tells Me About End Of Life Care”
- Can Consult Chaplin Services For Anyone Having Difficulty With EOL Decisions And Their Spirituality



Center to Advance  
Palliative Care

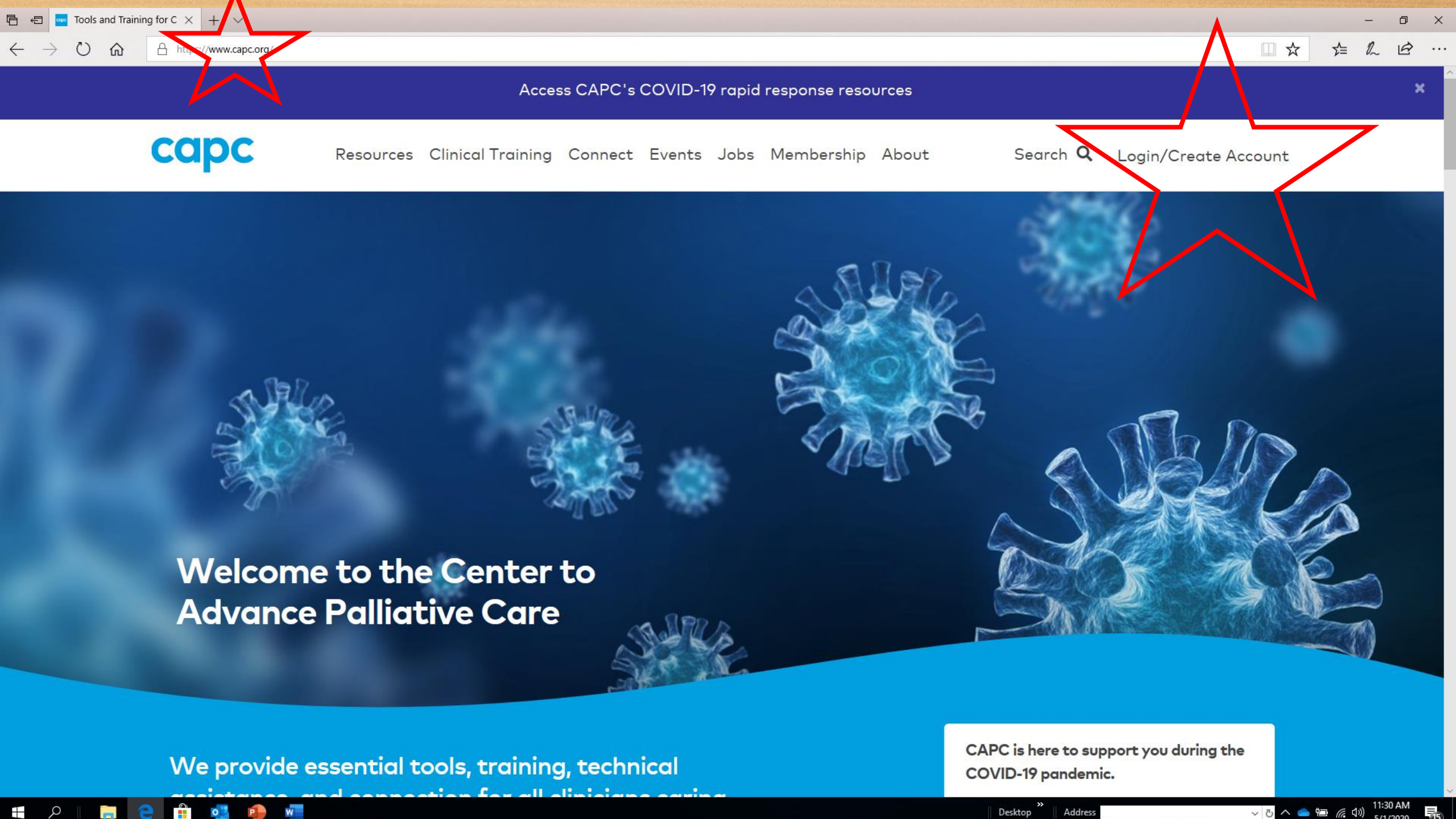
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[www.capc.org](http://www.capc.org)



# The Center to Advance Palliative Care

The **Center to Advance Palliative Care (CAPC)**, established in 1999, is a national organization dedicated to increasing the availability of quality health care for people living with a serious illness. As the nation's leading resource in its field, CAPC provides health care professionals and organizations with the training, tools, and technical assistance necessary to effectively redesign care systems that meet this need. CAPC is funded through organizational membership and the generous support of foundations and private philanthropy. It is part of the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, in New York City. Visit [capc.org](http://capc.org).



Access CAPC's COVID-19 rapid response resources



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# Welcome to the Center to Advance Palliative Care

We provide essential tools, training, technical assistance, and connection for all clinicians caring for patients with serious illness.

CAPC is here to support you during the COVID-19 pandemic.

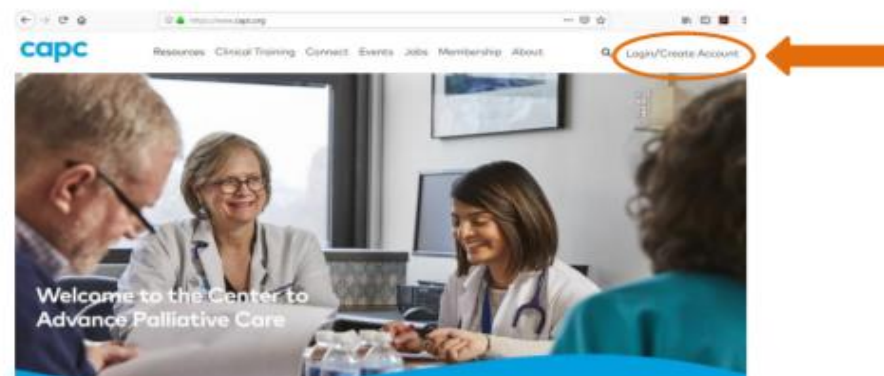


## Creating a CAPC User Account



### Creating an Account

1. Visit [CAPC.org](https://www.capc.org) and click "Create Account" in the upper right corner.



2. Select your "Organization" from the dropdown list of the organizations – you can start typing it in.

### Member Registration

If your organization is a CAPC member, you can create a member user account for free access to all member resources. Select your organization to create your own user account.

Organization  Required

3. Enter your **work email address**, create a password, answer all questions, and agree to the terms.
4. Check your email Inbox for a **verification email** from [noreply@capc.org](mailto:noreply@capc.org) and click the link provided to finalize set-up. If the email does not show in your work inbox, please check junk/spam folder.

### Accessing the CAPC Website

5. Click "**Login**" in the upper right corner on [CAPC.org](https://www.capc.org) on all subsequent visits. Or, wherever you encounter members-only content (identified with a lock icon) click "**Login**".

For assistance setting up your account or accessing courses, contact [membership@capc.org](mailto:membership@capc.org)

6. A four-minute video tour of the new website, showing where all the different resources lie, can be found by visiting: <https://media.capc.org/how-to-video/capc-how-to-2019-03.mp4>



For assistance with content, please email [memberrelations@capc.org](mailto:memberrelations@capc.org)

# Online Clinical Training Courses For All Clinicians

All specialties and disciplines can strengthen their care of patients living with a serious illness.

For CAPC members, CAPC's online training curriculum provides free continuing education credits for physicians, nurses, social workers, case managers, and licensed professional counselors at [member organizations](#). Free **ABIM MOC** (Maintenance of Certification) points are also available for physicians. [Download a course catalog](#) with information about continuing education credits and ABIM MOC points for all CAPC courses. Download an overview of [CAPC continuing education mission and policy](#) to learn more.

[CAPC Designation status](#) is available for clinicians who complete the following units: Communication Skills, Pain Management, Symptom Management, and Best Practices in Dementia Care.

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[Link to CAPC Continuing Education Curriculum](#)



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# Palliative Care Referral Process

# PLACING A REFERRAL TO PALLIATIVE CARE OUTPATIENT CLINICS



## 1. Enter referral order – Ambulatory referral/consult to Palliative Care

### Order Information

Procedure: Ambulatory referral/consult to Palliative Care  
 Proc Category: Outpatient Referral Orderables

## 2. Select class “Internal”

Class: Internal Referral

## 3. Enter comments

Sched Instruct:  
 Comment: Patient aware of the referral: Yes  
 Symptom Management: (Symptom Management- end staged PH  
 Goals of Care: Coping with Life-Limiting Illness  
 Does patient have more than two hospitalizations in the past month for the same problem? No

## 4. Select region where outpatient care is requested –> St. Tammany

### Order Specific Questions

Question	Answer	Comment
Referred to Region: Only select region(s) you would like the patient to be seen in if it is outside of the current encounter's department.	New Orleans Metro	





Search:

- Title
- Emotional Support**
- Disease Education
- Symptom Management
- Family Consultation
- Spiritual consult
- Advanced Directives
- DNR
- End of Life/Hospice
- Goals of care discussion/advance care planning
- Pain Management
- Other Symptoms Management
- Withdrawal of Interventions
- Patient and Family support
- Comfort care
- Hospice referral and discussion
- Other (please specify)

**Referring providers can currently only chose 1 reason for the Palliative Care referral. They can add additional reasons in the “comments” section.**

# Final Thoughts



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Advance care planning decisions can be a gift of love from patients to their families. Caregivers will not have to wonder, “Should I have decide this instead of that...” or “Did I make the right decision?” or “”Is that what they would have wanted?”. The decisions they have to make in those moments, when advance care planning was never discussed, will stay with them a lifetime.

# Final Thoughts...

Advance care planning should not be a single discussion, but an ongoing conversation throughout the continuum of someone's life...

Coordinated, collaborative advance care planning affords STHS the opportunity to provide the right care, to the right patient, at the right time, every time.



# Thank you!

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