

(II) TRANSMIT THE "PATIENT'S PLAN OF CARE" FORM TO THE RECEIVING HEALTH CARE PROVIDER SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH THE TRANSFER OF THE DECLARANT.

(g) It shall be the responsibility of the declarant to notify a health care agent that the agent has been named in an advance directive to act on the declarant's behalf.

(h) Unless otherwise provided in the patient's advance directive, a patient's agent shall act in accordance with the provisions of § 5-605(c) of this subtitle.

(i) The absence of an advance directive creates no presumption as to the patient's intent to consent to or refuse life-sustaining procedures.

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(a) (1) Certified or licensed emergency medical services personnel shall be directed by protocol to follow emergency medical services "do not resuscitate orders" pertaining to adult patients in the outpatient setting in accordance with protocols established by the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems in conjunction with the State Board of Physicians.

(2) Emergency medical services "do not resuscitate orders" may not authorize the withholding of medical interventions, or therapies deemed necessary to provide comfort care or to alleviate pain.

(3) A health care provider, other than certified or licensed emergency medical services personnel, may provide, withhold, or withdraw treatment in accordance with an emergency medical services "do not resuscitate order" described in paragraph (1) of this subsection if a health care provider sees either the order or a valid, legible, and patient identifying emergency medical services "do not resuscitate order" in bracelet form.

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(A) ~~THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL DEVELOP A "PHYSICIAN ORDERS FOR LIFE SUSTAINING TREATMENT PATIENT'S PLAN OF CARE" FORM TO DOCUMENT THE TREATMENT PREFERENCES OF AN INDIVIDUAL RELATED TO SUITABLE FOR SUMMARIZING THE PLAN OF CARE FOR AN INDIVIDUAL, INCLUDING THE ASPECTS OF THE PLAN OF CARE RELATED TO:~~

(1) THE USE OF LIFE-SUSTAINING PROCEDURES; AND

(2) TRANSFER TO A HOSPITAL FROM A NONHOSPITAL SETTING; ~~AND~~

~~(3) ANY OTHER MATTER CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE BY THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO ACCOMPLISH THE PURPOSES OF THE "PHYSICIAN ORDERS FOR LIFE SUSTAINING TREATMENT" FORM.~~

(B) ~~THE "PHYSICIAN ORDERS FOR LIFE SUSTAINING TREATMENT PATIENT'S PLAN OF CARE" FORM IS VOLUNTARY AND~~ SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH:

(1) THE DECISIONS OF: