

(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:~~

(I) ~~THE PATIENT IF THE PATIENT IS A COMPETENT INDIVIDUAL;~~

OR

(II) ~~IF THE PATIENT IS INCAPABLE OF MAKING AN INFORMED DECISION, A HEALTH CARE AGENT OR SURROGATE DECISION MAKER AS AUTHORIZED BY THIS SUBTITLE; AND~~

(2) ~~ANY ADVANCE DIRECTIVE OF AN INDIVIDUAL THE PATIENT IF THE PATIENT IS INCAPABLE OF MAKING AN INFORMED DECISION; AND~~

(3) ~~THE DECISIONS OF A HEALTH CARE AGENT OR SURROGATE DECISION MAKER AS AUTHORIZED BY THIS SUBTITLE.~~

(C) ~~THE "PHYSICIAN ORDERS FOR LIFE SUSTAINING TREATMENT PATIENT'S PLAN OF CARE" FORM:~~

(1) ~~MAY BE COMPLETED BY A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER UNDER THE DIRECTION OF AN ATTENDING PHYSICIAN;~~