

**MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL ORDERS
for LIFE-SUSTAINING TREATMENT**

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Patient's Name _____

Date of Birth _____

Medical Record Number if applicable: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: *Every patient should receive full attention to comfort.*

- This form should be signed based on goals of care discussions between the patient (or patient's representative signing below) and the signing clinician.
- Sections A–C are valid orders only if Sections D and E are complete. Section F is valid only if Sections G and H are complete.
- If any section is not completed, there is no limitation on the treatment indicated in that section.
- The form is effective immediately upon signature. Photocopy, fax or electronic copies of properly signed MOLST forms are valid.

A	CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION: for a patient in cardiac or respiratory arrest	
Mark one circle →	<input type="radio"/> Do Not Resuscitate	<input type="radio"/> Attempt Resuscitation
B	VENTILATION: for a patient in respiratory distress	
Mark one circle →	<input type="radio"/> Do Not Intubate and Ventilate	<input type="radio"/> Intubate and Ventilate
Mark one circle →	<input type="radio"/> Do Not Use Non-invasive Ventilation (e.g. CPAP)	<input type="radio"/> Use Non-invasive Ventilation (e.g. CPAP)
C	TRANSFER TO HOSPITAL	
Mark one circle →	<input type="radio"/> Do Not Transfer to Hospital (<i>unless needed for comfort</i>)	<input type="radio"/> Transfer to Hospital
PATIENT or patient's representative signature D <i>Required</i>	Mark one circle below to indicate who is signing Section D: <input type="radio"/> Patient <input type="radio"/> Health Care Agent <input type="radio"/> Guardian* <input type="radio"/> Parent/Guardian* of minor Signature of patient confirms this form was signed of patient's own free will and reflects his/her wishes and goals of care as expressed to the Section E signer. Signature by the patient's representative (indicated above) confirms that this form reflects his/her assessment of the patient's wishes and goals of care, or if those wishes are unknown, his/her assessment of the patient's best interests. <i>*A guardian can sign only to the extent permitted by MA law. Consult legal counsel with questions about a guardian's authority.</i>	
Mark one circle and fill in every line for valid Page 1.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Signature of Patient (or Person Representing the Patient) _____ Legible Printed Name of Signer _____	Date of Signature _____ Telephone Number of Signer _____
CLINICIAN signature E <i>Required</i>	Signature of physician, nurse practitioner or physician assistant confirms that this form accurately reflects his/her discussion(s) with the signer in Section D.	
Fill in every line for valid Page 1.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Signature of Physician, Nurse Practitioner, or Physician Assistant _____ Legible Printed Name of Signer _____	Date and Time of Signature _____ Telephone Number of Signer _____
Optional	This form does not expire unless expressly stated. <i>Expiration date (if any) of this form:</i> _____ Health Care Agent Printed Name _____ Telephone Number _____ Primary Care Provider Printed Name _____ Telephone Number _____	

SEND THIS FORM WITH THE PATIENT AT ALL TIMES.

HIPAA permits disclosure of MOLST to health care providers as necessary for treatment.

F	Statement of Patient Preferences for Other Medically-Indicated Treatments			
	INTUBATION AND VENTILATION			
	Mark one circle →	<input type="radio"/> Refer to Section B on Page 1	<input type="radio"/> Use intubation and ventilation as marked in Section B, but short term only	<input type="radio"/> Undecided <input type="radio"/> Did not discuss
	NON-INVASIVE VENTILATION (e.g. Continuous Positive Airway Pressure - CPAP)			
	Mark one circle →	<input type="radio"/> Refer to Section B on Page 1	<input type="radio"/> Use non-invasive ventilation as marked in Section B, but short term only	<input type="radio"/> Undecided <input type="radio"/> Did not discuss
	DIALYSIS			
	Mark one circle →	<input type="radio"/> No dialysis	<input type="radio"/> Use dialysis <input type="radio"/> Use dialysis, but short term only	<input type="radio"/> Undecided <input type="radio"/> Did not discuss
ARTIFICIAL NUTRITION				
Mark one circle →	<input type="radio"/> No artificial nutrition	<input type="radio"/> Use artificial nutrition <input type="radio"/> Use artificial nutrition, but short term only	<input type="radio"/> Undecided <input type="radio"/> Did not discuss	
ARTIFICIAL HYDRATION				
Mark one circle →	<input type="radio"/> No artificial hydration	<input type="radio"/> Use artificial hydration <input type="radio"/> Use artificial hydration, but short term only	<input type="radio"/> Undecided <input type="radio"/> Did not discuss	
Other treatment preferences specific to the patient's medical condition and care _____				

<p>PATIENT or patient's representative signature</p> <p style="text-align: center;">G</p> <p>Required</p> <p>Mark one circle and fill in every line for valid Page 2.</p>	<p>Mark one circle below to indicate who is signing Section G:</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Patient <input type="radio"/> Health Care Agent <input type="radio"/> Guardian* <input type="radio"/> Parent/Guardian* of minor</p> <p>Signature of patient confirms this form was signed of patient's own free will and reflects his/her wishes and goals of care as expressed to the Section H signer. Signature by the patient's representative (indicated above) confirms that this form reflects his/her assessment of the patient's wishes and goals of care, or if those wishes are unknown, his/her assessment of the patient's best interests. *A guardian can sign only to the extent permitted by MA law. Consult legal counsel with questions about a guardian's authority.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Signature of Patient (or Person Representing the Patient) Date of Signature</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Legible Printed Name of Signer Telephone Number of Signer</p>
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<p>CLINICIAN signature</p> <p style="text-align: center;">H</p> <p>Required</p> <p>Fill in every line for valid Page 2.</p>	<p>Signature of physician, nurse practitioner or physician assistant confirms that this form accurately reflects his/her discussion(s) with the signer in Section G.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Signature of Physician, Nurse Practitioner, or Physician Assistant Date and Time of Signature</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Legible Printed Name of Signer Telephone Number of Signer</p>
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Additional Instructions For Health Care Professionals

- Follow orders listed in A, B and C and honor preferences listed in F until there is an opportunity for a clinician to review as described below.
- Any change to this form requires the form to be voided and a new form to be signed. To void the form, write VOID in large letters across both sides of the form. *If no new form is completed, no limitations on treatment are documented and full treatment may be provided.*
- Re-discuss the patient's goals for care and treatment preferences as clinically appropriate to disease progression, at transfer to a new care setting or level of care, or if preferences change. Revise the form when needed to accurately reflect treatment preferences.
- The patient or health care agent (if the patient lacks capacity), guardian*, or parent/guardian* of a minor can revoke the MOLST form at any time and/or request and receive previously refused medically-indicated treatment. ***A guardian can sign only to the extent permitted by MA law. Consult legal counsel with questions about a guardian's authority.**