

MICHIGAN DO-NOT-RESUSCITATE PROCEDURE ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 193 of 1996

333.1053 Execution of order; authorized persons; form; printed or typed names; signatures; witness; identification bracelet; possession; access.

Sec. 3. (1) Subject to section 5, an individual who is 18 years of age or older and of sound mind may execute a do-not-resuscitate order on his or her own behalf. A patient advocate of an individual who is 18 years of age or older may execute a do-not-resuscitate order on behalf of that individual.

(2) An order executed under this section shall be on a form described in section 4. The order shall be dated and executed voluntarily and signed by each of the following persons:

(a) The declarant or another person who, at the time of the signing, is in the presence of the declarant and acting pursuant to the directions of the declarant.

(b) The declarant's attending physician.

(c) Two witnesses 18 years of age or older, at least 1 of whom is not the declarant's spouse, parent, child, grandchild, sibling, or presumptive heir.

(3) The names of the declarant, the attending physician, and each witness shall be printed or typed below the corresponding signatures. A witness shall not sign an order unless the declarant appears to the witness to be of sound mind and under no duress, fraud, or undue influence.

(4) At any time after an order is signed and witnessed, the declarant or an individual designated by the declarant may apply an identification bracelet to the declarant's wrist.

(5) A declarant who executes an order under this section shall maintain possession of the order and shall have the order accessible within his or her place of residence or other setting outside of a hospital, a nursing home, or a mental health facility owned or operated by the department of community health.

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