How to Create a Planning Guide for My Family



There is no greater gift you can provide their family than the gift of planning. Regardless of age, an unexpected illness or injury can leave family or friends in the difficult position of making decisions in regards to your care or honoring your wishes.

Plan Now! It can be overwhelming as a caregiver trying to locate important personal information about you that is necessary for your care.



The Planning Guide makes it easy and convenient for you and your family. By gathering the necessary information and keeping it in an accessible location for your caregivers, you will have peace of mind knowing that all important information about you can be found in one document.

Start today, and take the time to create your personal Planning Guide.

Personal Information

This information should be kept in a secure place (i.e. safe deposit box) and should be accessible to family members/executor/attorney.

Full Legal Name	Date of Birth		Place of Birth
Street Address			
City	State		Zip
Phone(s)		Birth Certif	ficate Location
Social Security Number	Driver License	Number	Military Service Number
Religious Affiliation / Minis	ter Name, Location	& Phone Nur	nber
Employment Information			
Notes			

My Children

Name	Address	Phone
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Name	Address	Phone
My Rela	tives / Neighbors / Fi	riends
Name	Address	Phone

Health Care Providers

	Name	Phone
Primary Care Physician		
Physician/Specialists		
Physician/Specialists		
Eye Doctor		
Dentist		
My Choice for Long-Term Care		
My Choice for Assisted Living Facility		
My Choice for Home Health Care Provider		
Pharmacist		
Other Care Provider(s)		
My Choice for Hospital		

Insurance Information (Copy of Cards Attached)

	Agent Name	Phone
Automobile Insurance		
Homeowners Insurance		
Life Insurance		
Long-Term Insurance		
Prescription Insurance		
Health Insurance/HMO		
Managed Care		
Medicare		
Medicare Supplement		
Medicaid		
Medicaid Caseworker		
Veterans Benefits		

Medical Conditions Checklist

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	Blood Type:		lergies:
Ц	No known medical conditions		No known allergies
	Abnormal EKG		Animal
	Adrenal Insufficiency		Aspirin
	Angina		Barbiturate
	Asthma		Codeine
	Bleeding Disorder		Demerol
	Cancer		Food:
	Cardiac Dysrhythmia		Horse Serum
	Cataracts		Insect Stings
	Clotting Disorder		Latex
	Coronary Bypass Graft		Lidocaine
	Dementia		Morphine
	Alzheimer's		Novocain
	Diabetes/Insulin Dependent		Penicillin
	Eye Surgery		Seasonal
	Glaucoma		Sulfa
	Hearing Impaired		Tetracycline
	Heart Value Prosthesis		X-Rays Dyes
	Hemodialysis		Environmental:
	Hemolytic Anemia		Other:
	Hepatitis Type:		
	Hypertension		
	Hypoglycemia]	Notes
	Implantable Devices:		
	Laryngectomy		
	Leukemia		
	Lymphomas		
	Memory Impaired		
\Box	Myasthenia Gravis		
П	Pacemaker		
П	Renal Failure		
	Seizure Disorder		
	Sickle Cell Anemia		
	Stroke		
	Tuberculosis		
	Vision Impaired		

Medical/Health Information

	Notes
Health History	
Genetic Defects	
Family Medical History (Cancer/ Heart/Blood Pressure, etc.)	
Adoption/Stepfamily History	
Other	

Household Support

	Name	Phone
Personal Care		
Provider		
Home Service		
Agency		
Home Security		
Housecleaning		
Transportation		
Meals		
Phone/Cable		
Provider		
Veterinary		
Other		

Notes		

Financial Information

	Account	Account	Account
Type of Account	☐ Checking ☐ Savings ☐ Debt ☐	☐ Checking ☐ Savings ☐ Debt ☐	☐ Checking ☐ Savings ☐ Debt ☐
Institution Name			
Institution Location			
Institution Phone			
Register Location			
Social Security Direct Deposit?	□ Yes □ No	□ Yes □ No	□ Yes □ No
Pension Check Direct Deposit	□ Yes □ No	□ Yes □ No	□ Yes □ No
Other Important Information			

Financial Information, Continued.

	Account	Account	Account
	□ Checking	□ Checking	□ Checking
Type of	□ Savings	□ Savings	□ Savings
Account	□ Debt	□ Debt	□ Debt
Institution Name			
Institution Location			
Institution Phone			
Register Location			
Social			
Security Direct	☐ Yes	☐ Yes	☐ Yes
Deposit?	□ No	□ No	□ No
Pension			
Check	□ Yes	□ Yes	□ Yes
Direct Deposit	□ No	□ No	□ No
Other Important Information			

Financial & Other Records

	Location & Notes
Real Estate Documents (i.e.	
Deeds, Mortgages, Notes)	
Tax Returns (Current/Prior Year)	
Insurance Policies and Premium Payment Records	
Pension, IRA, Keogh, & Other Deferred Compensation Records	
Health Care Expense and Reimbursement Records	
Will	
Living Trust	
Power of Attorney	
Power of Attorney for Health Care	
Safe Deposit Box	
(Who is authorized?	
Where are the keys located?)	
Stocks & Bonds	
Passport	

Legal And Financial

	Name	Phone
Attorney		
Accountant		
Stock Broker or Investment Advisor		
Executor/ Executrix of Estate		

Notes		

Personal Caregiving Preferences

Circumstances often dictate many details of the caregiving situation, but it will be helpful to know the who, where, what, how, and when of your personal caregiving preferences. Consider the questions in each box and write your thoughts and preferences.

Who

Identify the kind of caregiver(s) you would like to have if you get sick. For example, what skills would these people have? If they are cooking for you, do they know how to cook the foods you enjoy? What are their social and spiritual interests - are they similar to yours? What values do you have and what values would you want your caregivers to have?

Where

Identify, in priority order, where you would like to live. Most people want to stay in their homes, but sometimes moving to a smaller place is the best choice. If considering a move, what size living space will you need? Do you want to be near friends or family? Would the place you move to provide assisted living or nursing services, if you needed it? What recreational, social, spiritual and emotional values would you want fulfilled in this place?

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Personal Caregiving Preferences, Continued.

What

Identify what you want your days to look and be like? What, ideally, do you want your home, apartment, or room to look like? What colors and decor provide emotional comfort to you? What furniture do you want? Do you want a telephone and/or computer in the room? What about a television and cable channels? What about a library or access to museums? Do you want the space to feel inviting?

How & When

How will you make decisions regarding your care? Do you have some criteria even beyond a living will? Do you prefer a lot of collaboration with your caregiver(s) and medical personnel or very little? Are you a decisive person or will you want to pursue all the options?

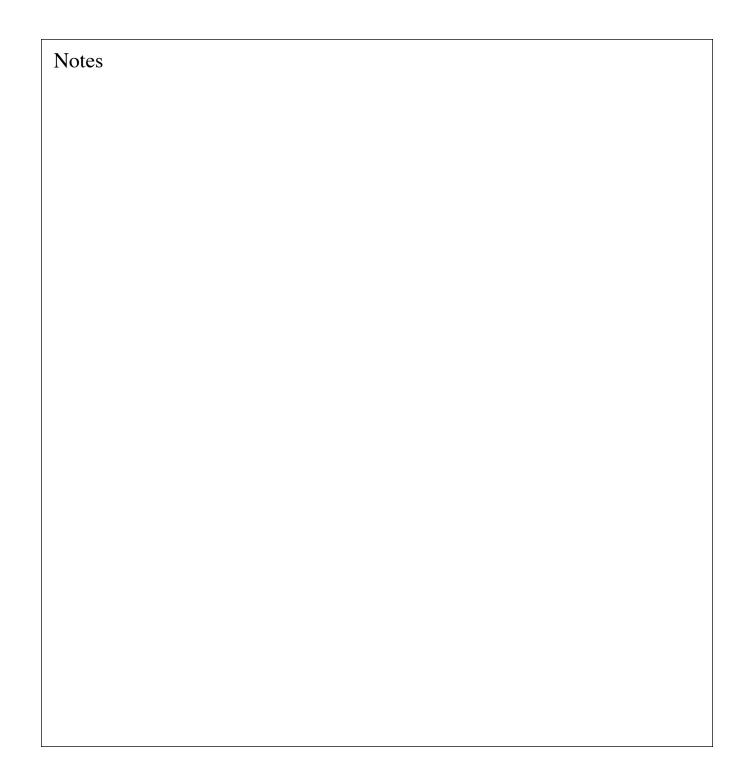
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End-Of-Life Decision

		Location/Notes
Living Will?	□ Yes □ No	
Durable Power of Attorney?	□ Yes □ No	
Do Not Resuscitate Order?	□ Yes □ No	
Do you want a feeding tube inserted?	□ Yes □ No	
Are you an organ donor?	□ Yes □ No	

Funeral/Memorial Information

	Notes / Contact Person / Phone Number / Location
Funeral Home	
Prepaid Funeral Plan,	
Burial Plot Documents	
Cremation or Burial?	
Cemetery Lot	
Organizations to be	
contacted	
Services to be	
Performed	
Last Wishes or Requests	



"Before everything else, getting ready is the secret of success." - Henry Ford



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Twin Towers 513-853-2000 Twin Lakes 513-247-1300 Confident Living 513-719-3522

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