

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

333.1052 Definitions.

Sec. 2. As used in this act:

(a) "Actual notice" includes the physical presentation of an order, a revocation of an order, or another written document authorized under this act from or on behalf of a declarant.

(b) "Advanced illness" means a medical or surgical condition with significant functional impairment that is not reversible by curative therapies and that is anticipated to progress toward death despite attempts at curative therapies or modulation.

(c) "Attending physician" means the physician who has primary responsibility for the treatment and care of a declarant.

(d) "Declarant" means an individual who has executed a do-not-resuscitate order on his or her own behalf or on whose behalf a do-not-resuscitate order has been executed as provided in this act.

(e) "Delegatee" means an individual to whom a physician has delegated the authority to perform 1 or more selected acts, tasks, or functions under section 16215 of the public health code, MCL 333.16215.

(f) "Do-not-resuscitate identification bracelet" or "identification bracelet" means a wrist bracelet that meets the requirements of section 7 and that is worn by a declarant while a do-not-resuscitate order is in effect.

(g) "Do-not-resuscitate order" or "order" means a document executed under this act directing that, if an individual suffers cessation of both spontaneous respiration and circulation in a setting outside of a hospital, resuscitation will not be initiated.

(h) "Emergency medical technician" means that term as defined in section 20904 of the public health code, MCL 333.20904.

(i) "Emergency medical technician specialist" means that term as defined in section 20904 of the public health code, MCL 333.20904.

(j) "Guardian" means that term as defined in section 1104 of the estates and protected individuals code, 1998 PA 386, MCL 700.1104.

(k) "Hospital" means that term as defined in section 20106 of the public health code, MCL 333.20106.

(l) "Medical first responder" means that term as defined in section 20906 of the public health code, MCL 333.20906.

(m) "Minor child" means an individual who is less than 18 years of age, has been diagnosed by an attending physician as having an advanced illness, and is not emancipated by operation of law as provided in section 4 of 1968 PA 293, MCL 722.4.

(n) "Nurse" means an individual who is licensed or otherwise authorized to engage in the practice of nursing or practice of nursing as a licensed practical nurse under part 172 of the public health code, MCL 333.17201 to 333.17242.

(o) "Organization" means a company, corporation, firm, partnership, association, trust, or other business entity or a governmental agency.

(p) "Paramedic" means that term as defined in section 20908 of the public health code, MCL 333.20908.

(q) "Parent" means the natural or adoptive parent of a minor child who possesses legal decision-making authority as to the important decisions affecting the welfare of the minor child.

(r) "Patient advocate" means an individual who is designated to make medical treatment decisions for a patient under sections 5506 to 5515 of the estates and protected individuals code, 1998 PA 386, MCL 700.5506 to 700.5515.

(s) "Physician" means an individual who is licensed or otherwise authorized to engage in the practice of medicine or the practice of osteopathic medicine and surgery under article 15 of the public health code, MCL 333.16101 to 333.18838.

(t) "Physician's assistant" means an individual who is licensed as a physician's assistant under part 170 or part 175 of the public health code, MCL 333.17001 to 333.17097 and 333.17501 to 333.17556.

(u) "Public health code" means the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211.

(v) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (w), "resuscitate" means perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation or a component of cardiopulmonary resuscitation, including, but not limited to, any of the following:

(i) Cardiac compression.

(ii) Endotracheal intubation or other advanced airway management.

(iii) Artificial ventilation.

(iv) Defibrillation.

(v) The administration of a cardiac resuscitation medication.

(vi) Another related procedure.

(w) "Resuscitate" does not include the Heimlich maneuver or a similar procedure used to expel an obstruction from an individual's throat.

(x) "School" means a nonpublic school or a public school as those terms are defined in section 5 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.5.

(y) "Vital sign" means a pulse or evidence of respiration.

(z) "Ward" means that term as defined in section 1108 of the estates and protected individuals code, 1998 PA 386, MCL 700.1108.

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