

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

333.1055 Persons depending on spiritual means through prayer for healing; execution of order; form; signatures; printed or typed names; witness; identification bracelet; possession; access.

Sec. 5. (1) An individual who is 18 years of age or older, of sound mind, and an adherent of a church or religious denomination whose members depend upon spiritual means through prayer alone for healing 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 and an adherent of a church or religious denomination whose members depend upon spiritual means through prayer alone for healing 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 6. The order shall be dated and executed voluntarily and signed by each of the following persons:

(a) The declarant, the declarant's patient advocate, 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) 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 all signatories shall be printed or typed below the corresponding signatures. A witness shall not sign an order unless the declarant or the declarant's patient advocate 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, the declarant's patient advocate, or an individual designated by the declarant may apply an identification bracelet to the declarant's wrist.

(5) A declarant or patient advocate who executes an order under this section shall maintain possession of the order and shall have the order accessible within the declarant's place of residence or other setting outside of a hospital.

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