

DO-NOT-RESUSCITATE
IDENTIFICATION

DNR #

PATIENT INFORMATION

SAMPLE

CERTIFICATION OF DO-NOT-RESUSCITATE STATUS

This form constitutes reliable documentation that the above-identified patient has been certified by the patient's attending physician as having a terminal condition and is a qualified patient under Nevada law, NRS 450B.470 and:

Requested do-not-resuscitate identification

The patient has been issued a do-not-resuscitate identification in accordance with NRS 450B.400 – 450B.530.

AND/OR

Do-not-resuscitate (DNR/POLST) order.

The patient's attending physician has issued a do-not-resuscitate (DNR/POLST) order for the patient in accordance with NRS 450B.510.

INFORMATION FOR THE PATIENT

This form documents that you are a qualified patient under Nevada law and have authorized prehospital Emergency Medical Services (EMS) personnel to withhold life-resuscitating treatment in the event of cardiac or respiratory arrest. If this form or wallet card is presented to prehospital EMS personnel, they are required to provide the care described on the reverse side. Emergency medical care will be directed at preventing avoidable suffering and providing supportive comfort measures. It is understood that as a qualified patient with do-not-resuscitate identification you will be allowed to die in the natural course of your illness. **In order to prevent any misunderstanding or confusion, it is very important for you to inform your family or caretaker of the existence and location of this DNR Identification.**

REVOCAATION

The patient identified above may revoke his authorization to withhold life-resuscitating treatment at any time by removing or destroying, or requesting the removal or destruction, of the Do-Not-Resuscitate Identification. If the patient is less than 18 years old, the parent or legal guardian may also revoke the authorization to withhold life-resuscitative treatment.

This form, or wallet card, should be presented to EMS personnel responding to provide medical assistance to the patient.

If EMS personnel do not see this form or the wallet card they will attempt to resuscitate the patient in accordance with their standard procedures and protocols.



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INFORMATION FOR PRE-HOSPITAL EMS PERSONNEL

If you are presented with this form or a **Do-Not-Resuscitate Identification** card, Nevada law requires that you follow the Do-Not-Resuscitate (DNR/POLST) protocol adopted by the Southern Nevada Health District Board of Health. Patients with a **Do-Not-Resuscitate Identification** are to receive appropriate emergency medical or supportive care.

For a patient with a **Do-Not-Resuscitate Identification**, prehospital EMS personnel:

WILL:

- Suction the airway
- Administer oxygen
- Position for comfort
- Splint
- Control bleeding
- Provide pain medication (Advanced Life Support only)
- Provide emotional support
- Contact hospice, home health agency, attending physician or hospital as appropriate
- Be attentive of any actions the patient may take to revoke his authorization to withhold life-resuscitating treatment

WILL NOT:

- Initiate cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)
- Administer chest compressions
- Intubate (ET or EOA)
- Initiate cardiac monitoring
- Administer cardiac resuscitation drugs
- Defibrillate
- Provide ventilatory assistance

If someone else has already begun resuscitating a patient with a **Do-Not-Resuscitate Identification** prior to your arrival, you:

WILL STOP:

- Initiate cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)
- Ventilatory assistance
- Cardiac medications

SOUTHERN NEVADA HEALTH DISTRICT DO-NOT-RESUSCITATE IDENTIFICATION

This card constitutes reliable documentation that the patient identified on the reverse side has been certified by his/her attending physician as having a terminal condition and is a qualified patient under Nevada law NRS 450B.470 **and is to be treated according to SOUTHERN NEVADA HEALTH DISTRICT'S DNR/POLST protocol.**

If the prehospital EMS provider is unable or unwilling to withhold life-resuscitating treatment from a patient with a Do-Not-Resuscitate Identification, he will transfer the care of the patient to a prehospital EMS provider who is able and willing to honor the patient's wish. Or he will transport the patient to a physician or health care facility at which the Do-Not-Resuscitate Identification will be honored.