

U.R. Number .....

Surname .....

Given Names .....

Date of Birth ..... / ..... / ..... Sex .....

Use Label If Available or BLOCK LETTERS

**GOALS OF PATIENT CARE**

**SECTION 1 BASELINE INFORMATION**

Primary illness: \_\_\_\_\_

Significant co-morbidities: \_\_\_\_\_

In the event that the patient is unable to speak for themselves, who would they wish to speak for them? This is known as the **'Person responsible'**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Advance Health Directive (AHD)  Yes  No

\* Advance Care Plan (ACP)  Yes  No

\* Enduring Power of Guardianship (EPG)  Yes  No

EPG contact name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Instructions to donate tissues/organs  Not applicable  Yes  No

Clinician's Name  
(please print): \_\_\_\_\_ Designation: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 2 GOAL OF CARE**

**Please tick one only and complete section 3 over the page to be valid.** In discussion with the clinician, patient, person responsible and/or family/carer(s), please select the most medically appropriate agreed goal of patient care that will apply in the event of clinical deterioration.

**All life sustaining treatment**

- \* For Rapid Response (MER/MET Calls)
- \* For CPR
- \* For ICU

**Life extending intensive treatment – with treatment ceiling**

\* Not for CPR

- \* For Rapid Response  Yes  No
- \* For ventilatory support, including intubation  Yes  No
- \* Specify maximum level of support .....
- \* For ICU/HDU admission
- \* Additional comments (e.g. use of inotropes, NIV, dialysis) .....

**Active ward based treatment – with symptom and comfort care**

\* Not for CPR

\* Not for ICU

\* Not for intubation

- \* For Rapid Response  Yes  No
- \* For ventilatory support (intent is symptom control)  Yes  No
- \* Specify maximum level of support .....
- \* Additional comments (e.g. use of antibiotics, IV fluids) .....

**Optimal comfort treatment – including care of the dying person**

\* Not for Rapid Response

\* Not for CPR

\* Not for intubation

\* Not for ICU

- \* For ongoing review to identify transition to the terminal phase
- \* Ensure timely commencement of the *Care Plan for the Dying Person*

**All patients can have Rapid Response based on 'Worried Criteria' or to 'Summon Clinical Review'.**



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**SECTION 3 SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION(S)**

**Goals of Patient Care** has been discussed with: Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_

Patient  Yes  No Person Responsible  Yes  No Family/carer(s)  Yes  No

Name(s) of those present at this discussion: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the patient able to fully participate in this discussion?  Yes  No

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the patient's likely response to CPR and critical intervention? \_\_\_\_\_

Patient preferences (needs, values and wishes): \_\_\_\_\_

Decision rationale for agreed **Goals of Patient Care** (please tick one only):

Medically-driven decision  Patient wishes  Shared decision-making

Other information: \_\_\_\_\_

Doctor's name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_ Designation: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_

Consultant review completed: Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_

**SECTION 4 EXTENDED USE**

Consultant endorsement for extended use beyond this admission for 12 months until

This includes patient transportation to another facility or home following the current admission.

Consultant's comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Consultant's name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Specialty: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT:** Please ensure this form is filed in the alert section of the patient's current medical record.

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ENDORSEMENT BY A CONSULTANT



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Bunbury  
 Geraldton

Murdoch  
 Subiaco

Ward: \_\_\_\_\_

SURNAME	URN
GIVEN NAMES	
D.O.B.	SEX
DOCTOR'S NAME	

Please use patient ID label when available

### REFUSAL OF CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR) CERTIFICATE

I \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

a patient at \_\_\_\_\_

OR

I \_\_\_\_\_ authorised agent (i.e. legal guardian/

representative or next of kin) of patient \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ wish it to be known to both the Medical and Nursing Staff

that, should cardiopulmonary resuscitation "CPR" (a medical intervention designed to restore

circulation and respiration in an emergency situation of cardiac or cardiopulmonary arrest) be

indicated, I intend to exercise my right to refuse it as an "extraordinary means of treatment." I

will continue to receive palliative care to reduce the intensity of any uncomfortable symptoms.

The complications which may occur as a result of not accepting CPR have been fully

explained to me by my treating medical practitioner \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Patient/Authorised Agent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Treating Medical Practitioner

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Witness \*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Witness \*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\* Witness should be someone other than patient/authorised agent or treating medical practitioner

**MUST BE IN CLEAR VIEW AT ALL TIMES AT FRONT OF RECORD**

**NOT FOR CARDIOPULMONARY  
RESUSCITATION (CPR) ORDER**

- Ballarat     Geelong     Nepean Rehabilitation  
 Bendigo     Geraldton     Pineledge Clinic  
 Berwick     Murdoch     Warrnambool  
 Burbury     Subiaco     Other \_\_\_\_\_

SURNAME	URN
GIVEN NAMES	
D.O.B.	SEX
DOCTOR'S NAME	

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Refusal of CPR Certificate(WA only)/Refusal of Treatment Certificate(VIC only) Completed:  Yes  No

Medical Practitioner Issuing Not for CPR Order: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
 Position \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time \_\_\_\_\_

Rationale for Withholding CPR:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Specific Treatment to be continued other than that involved in full resuscitation (eg. blood transfusions, antibiotics, suction, limited resuscitation)

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Communication:  Yes  No

Discussed with Patient/Authorised Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Summary of Discussion: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Discussed with Next of Kin:  Yes  No

Summary of Discussion: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Discussed with Caregivers (medical, nursing, allied health...):  Yes  No

Summary of Discussion: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Review Dates for Not for CPR Order:

Due \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Reviewed by: Dr \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Due \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Reviewed by: Dr \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Due \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Reviewed by: Dr \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

**ORDER DISCONTINUED**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
 Position \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rationale \_\_\_\_\_

## Guidance Document

### Palliative Sedation Therapy

A guidance document for Palliative Medicine Specialists in Australia and New Zealand.

#### Definition

Palliative Sedation Therapy (PST) is the monitored use of medications to lower a patient's awareness in order to provide relief of symptoms that are refractory to usual measures, are distressing and result in considerable suffering if unrelieved (Cherny et al 2009, Morita et al 2005).

#### Key guidance

1. ANZSPM considers PST to be an important and necessary approach in selected patients with life limiting illness with refractory symptoms, and this is aligned with the European Association for Palliative Care (EAPC) framework and recommendations (Cherny et al 2009).
2. ANZSPM considers PST to be an essential high level skill, which is ethically acceptable when used for selected patients with refractory symptoms in accordance with international guidelines (Cherny et al 2009).

PST should be considered to be an extra-ordinary measure, utilised by skilled and experienced Palliative Care Clinicians in a Multi-Disciplinary setting. PST should only be utilised after a comprehensive assessment of the patient's symptoms, psychosocial needs, and spiritual needs (Braun et al 2003). Symptoms should not be deemed refractory if the cause of unrelieved symptoms is inadequate access to and provision of palliative care or failure to provide best practice therapies (Radbruch et al 2013).

3. PST needs to be distinguished from other types of sedation used in palliative care.

Ordinary sedation is defined as sedation used to relieve anxiety, restlessness and insomnia (Quill 2009)

Proportionate palliative sedation is defined as the use of medication actively titrated to relieve symptoms but not produce unconsciousness (Quill 2009)

4. PST is distinct from euthanasia by virtue of the intent and the action. Refer the published [ANZSPM Position Statement on The Practice of Euthanasia & Physician Assisted Suicide](#) (ANZSPM 2017).
5. ANZSPM supports the use of the [EAPC recommended framework for use of sedation in palliative care](#) (Cherny et al 2009).

The EAPC framework intends to ensure clinicians assess patients with refractory symptoms and apply PST in the multi-disciplinary palliative care setting within good clinical and ethical practice. The EAPC framework focuses on key areas of assessment, documentation, consent and communication. The framework provides more detailed recommendations in the following areas (Cherny et al 2009):

- i. Approach to pre-emptive discussion of the potential role of sedation in end-of-life care and contingency planning
- ii. Indications in which sedation may or should be considered
- iii. The necessary evaluation and consultation procedures
- iv. Specify consent requirements
- v. Approach to discuss the decision-making process with the patient's family
- vi. Sedation method, dose titration, patient monitoring and care
- vii. Guidance for decisions regarding hydration and nutrition and concomitant medications
- viii. Information needs and care for patient's family
- ix. Multidisciplinary discussion and decision-making around PST and approach to disagreement.

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