

# Power-of-Attorney & Advance Directive Checklist

Ohio · Healthcare POA · Financial POA · Living Will · DNR.

This is the order most Ohio families complete these documents in. Originals stay with the person; copies go to the people listed below.

## 1. HEALTHCARE POWER OF ATTORNEY (OHIO)

- Choose a primary agent and a backup
- Talk through wishes about life-sustaining treatment
- Sign in front of two witnesses OR a notary
- Give a copy to the agent, the doctor, and the hospital

## 2. LIVING WILL

- Decide on life support, tube feeding, hydration
- Sign in front of two witnesses OR a notary
- Attach to the Healthcare POA

## 3. DNR (DO NOT RESUSCITATE) — IF APPROPRIATE

- Discussed with primary doctor
- DNR Comfort Care or DNR Comfort Care Arrest form signed
- Posted where EMS can see it (fridge / bedroom door)

## 4. FINANCIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

- Choose a financial agent (often a different person from healthcare agent)
- Decide: durable (effective now) or springing (effective if incapacitated)
- Notarize
- Give a copy to the bank and any investment firm

## WHERE ORIGINALS LIVE

Location of originals

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Attorney name & phone (if any)

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Names of everyone who has a copy

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