9 End of Life Planning Documents to establish your medical & financial wishes

Living trust
Transfer your assets into a living trust managed by yourself or another trust, with a successor (trustee) taking over if you die or are incapacitated. After your death, the trust is distributed to your beneficiaries indicated:
- active as indicated is the dollar

Financial power of attorney
Select an agent (power of attorney) to make financial decisions on your behalf. The agent's powers begin as indicated by the document, and end at your death or when you rescind the document:
- active as indicated is the dollar

Medical power of attorney
Designate a healthcare provider to make medical decisions for you only after you are incapacitated:
- active as indicated

Last will & testament
Designate a trusted executor to administer your estate after your death. This document appoints your beneficiaries and assigns a guardian to your children:
- active after death

Funeral plan & obituary
Initiate your funeral/cremation plans and necessary preferences, and write your own obituary if you wish. You can also allocate funds in a trust or last will & testament

Who’s involved?

You
You have the right to decide what actions will take place at the end of your life by filling in necessary documents.

Beneficiary
Section 8
Documents allow you to designate your beneficiaries and assign a guardian if you are incapacitated.

Witness/Notary
Help you sign legal documents by being present at your signing.

Medical Professional
Consult your doctor about continuing or terminating treatments. You need a doctor's signature to invoke your document's powers.

Third Party
Third-party estate planning documents, such as a trust, may be required to manage your affairs after your death.

Incapacitation
An incapacitated person is a patient who communicates impaired personal capacity to sign legal documents, some of a number of other requirements.

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Personal and financial records
File important documents (like your property deed, bank account info, and both power of attorney forms) in a safe place:
- active as indicated

DNR (Do not resuscitate)
Declare your wish not to receive resuscitation in the event of cardiac or respiratory arrest. This form must accompany your patient statements:
- active as indicated

Medical & tissue donation
Request to become an organ donor and have tissue organs be in the hands of theMulti-organ donors at the time of their death:
- active as indicated

Reservation of rights
Do not alter the obligation to fulfill the terms of your living trust, power of attorney, and will.

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