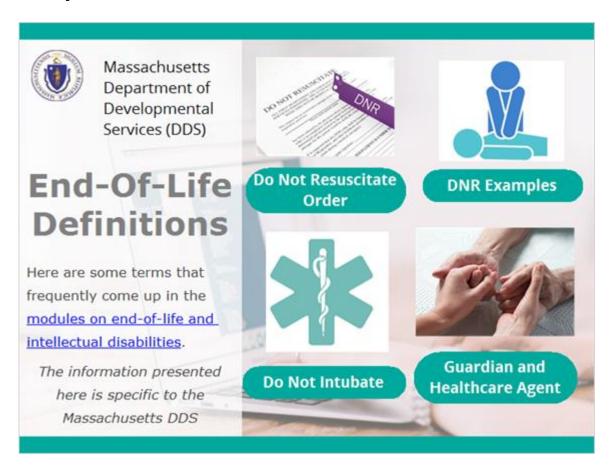
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1.2 DNR Examples



DNR Examples

If a person **chooses not to be revived** if their heart stops beating or if they stop breathing, they may consult with their doctor about a DNR order. The DNR is signed by a doctor and the person or a person who is authorized to sign on their behalf.

When would you consider putting a DNR order in place? The next few slides give examples and case studies.



Do Not Intubate (DNI)

Do Not Intubate, or DNI, is a medical order that instructs health providers not to attempt intubation or artificial ventilation in the event of respiratory distress.

1.4 Learn more about DNI

Learn more about Massachusetts DNI by clicking on the boxes below

Does a DNI prohibit health providers from performing chest compressions?

How is a DNI different from a DNR order?

How does someone indicate that they want a DNI?

Chest compressions (Slide Layer)

Learn more about Massachusetts DNI by clicking on the boxes below

Does a DNI prohibit health providers from performing chest compressions?

No, a DNI order does not prohibit providers from performing chest compressions and cardiac medication.

How is a DNI different from a DNR order?

How does someone indicate that they want a DNI?

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Does a DNI prohibit health providers from performing chest compressions?

- A DNR order almost always indudes a DNI, but a DNI order can stand alone.
- If the person has both a DNR and a DNI order, then all resuscitation efforts would be withheld.

How does someone indicate that they want a DNI?

How is a DNI different from a DNR order?

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How is a DNI different from a DNR order?

How does someone indicate that they want a DNI?

A DNI order must be written on the MOLST form. The MOLST can be signed by a competent individual, family member, or Health Care Proxy agent without court authorization. A DNI order requires substitute judgment by a court if it is to be entered by a guardian.

1.5 DNI and MOLST

DNI & End of Life Orders (MOLST)

If someone does not want a breathing tube put into their lungs, then the DNI order must be written on a specific form, which you can see to the right. It's called the Massachusetts MOLST form.

Click below for more information on MOLST

What is MOLST?



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What is MOLST?

MOLST stands for Medical Orders Life Sustaining Treatment. We'll cover the Massachusetts form in a separate training, but MOLST includes more end of life treatment options than just Ventilation.

Ventilation is just one section on the MOLST form.

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Would you put a DNR order in place?

Your brother just had his 40th birthday. Although he is in good health, you and your family are starting to think about his future. One of the many things you think about is what happens at the end of his life. He is fully competent.



Should you and your brother ask his doctor to put a DNR order in place at this point?

Answer

Answer (Slide Layer)

While you and your brother could start thinking about what his wishes might be when the time comes, now is not the time to consider a DNR or DNI order.

A better option for this type of planning is **Five Wishes**, which is an end of life planning tool that can be used by relatively young people, who are still in good health. A complete training is here: http://shriver.umassmed.edu/programs/cdder/aging-idd-education/FiveWishes

It's also important to create a **health care proxy** for your brother to ensure his wishes described in the Five Wishes process are honored.

*This is an example only. Questions on specific cases should be directed to the DDS area legal office.

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1.7 Consider this scenario

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But let's say your brother is 62 and has advanced stage Alzheimer's disease. Complications from the disease have left him medically fragile. He was placed in a nursing home several months ago, when he could no longer take care of even basic daily needs.

In this case, is it appropriate to consider a DNR order?

Answer



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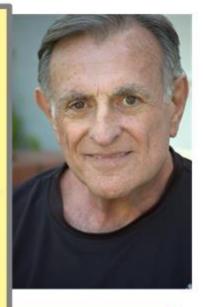
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Yes, it would be appropriate in this case because he has late stage Alzheimer's disease and is medically fragile. In this case, he meets one or more of the following:

- ☐ Life threatening illness or injury
- ☐ Chronic progressive disease
- Dementia
- Serious chronic health condition that requires or will require advanced medical interventions
- □ Any "advanced" debilitating disease process

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1.8 Gur/HCA



Guardians and Health Care Agents

There are important differences between the roles of Health Care Agent, Guardian and Expanded Guardian.

Click on the boxes below to learn more

Health Care Agent/Proxy

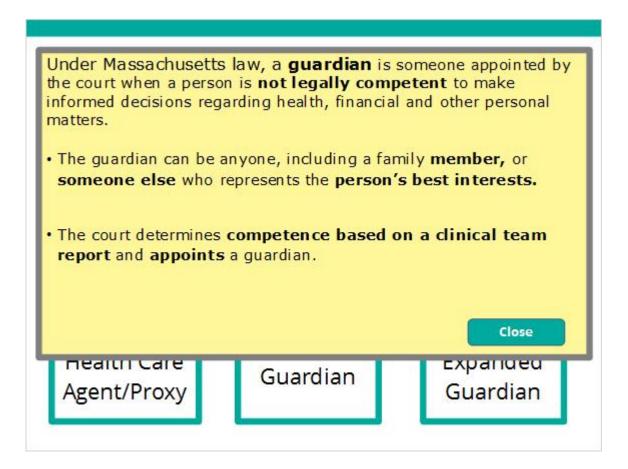
Guardian

Expanded Guardian

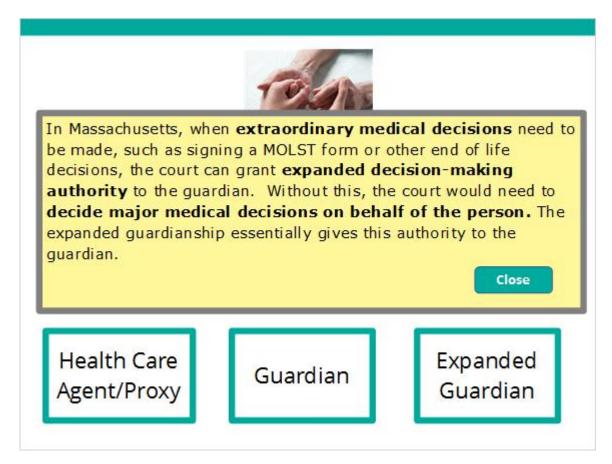
HCA (Slide Layer)



Guardian (Slide Layer)



Expanded (Slide Layer)





Do Not Resuscitate (DNR)

 If a person chooses not to be revived if their heart stops beating or if they stop breathing, they may consult with their doctor about a DNR order.

When is a DNR appropriate?

- If someone has a DNR order, Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) should not be started.
- · The DNR order is part of the person's medical record.

DNR and End of Life Orders

When is DNR appropriate (Slide Layer)

	DNR order is considered when one or more of the following onditions exist:
	Life threatening illness of injury
	Chronic progressive disease
	Dementia
	Serious chronic health condition that requires or will require
	advanced medical interventions
	Any "advanced" debilitating disease process
	A DNR may also be considered if a person is elderly or frail.
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	DNR and End of Life Orders

WHEN would you consider putting a DNR order in place?

In Massachusetts, the person, with their treatment team, should consider a DNR order only when one or more of the following conditions exist:

Life threatening illness of injury

Chronic progressive disease

Dementia

Serious chronic health condition that requires or will require

- Serious chronic health condition that requires or will require advanced medical interventions
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Case Studies