

Individual Plan of Care (IPOC) for End of Life (EOL) for Adults

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| Instructions for completion | <i>All HCP's must add their details at page 3</i> | <i>All sections must be completed</i> | <i>Document or tick as appropriate</i> | <i>For dates use dd/mm/yyyy and times use 24 hours clock</i> |
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| Consultant or GP | Print name | | Signature | | Date and time | |
| Doctor completing plan | Print name | | Signature | | Date and time | |
| Recognition that the patient is dying: medical decisions <i>tick when completed</i> | | | | | | <i>Initial, Date, and Time</i> |
| Has it been a multidisciplinary decision that the patient may be in the last days of life? | | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Have reversible causes of deterioration been excluded? | | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Has the ceiling of ward based supportive care been discussed with the patient and /or family? | | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Has a DNACPR decision been documented? | | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Has the ReSPECT form been completed | | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| If yes, has this been this discussed with patient and those important to the patient? | | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| The senior clinician should discuss the rationale for starting the individual end of life care plan, what to expect and the estimated prognosis. | | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| The senior clinician should discuss the need for hydration and nutrition. | | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Wishes <i>document</i> | | | | | | |
| Document relatives wishes regarding notification of deterioration / death | | | | | | |
| Contact details of person to call | | | | | | |
| Document the patient's and those important to the patient's preferred place of death | | | | | | |
| Document the name/s of relatives communicated with <i>add name and relationship</i> | | | | | | |
| <i>Name</i> | <i>Relationship</i> | <i>Name</i> | <i>Relationship</i> | | | |
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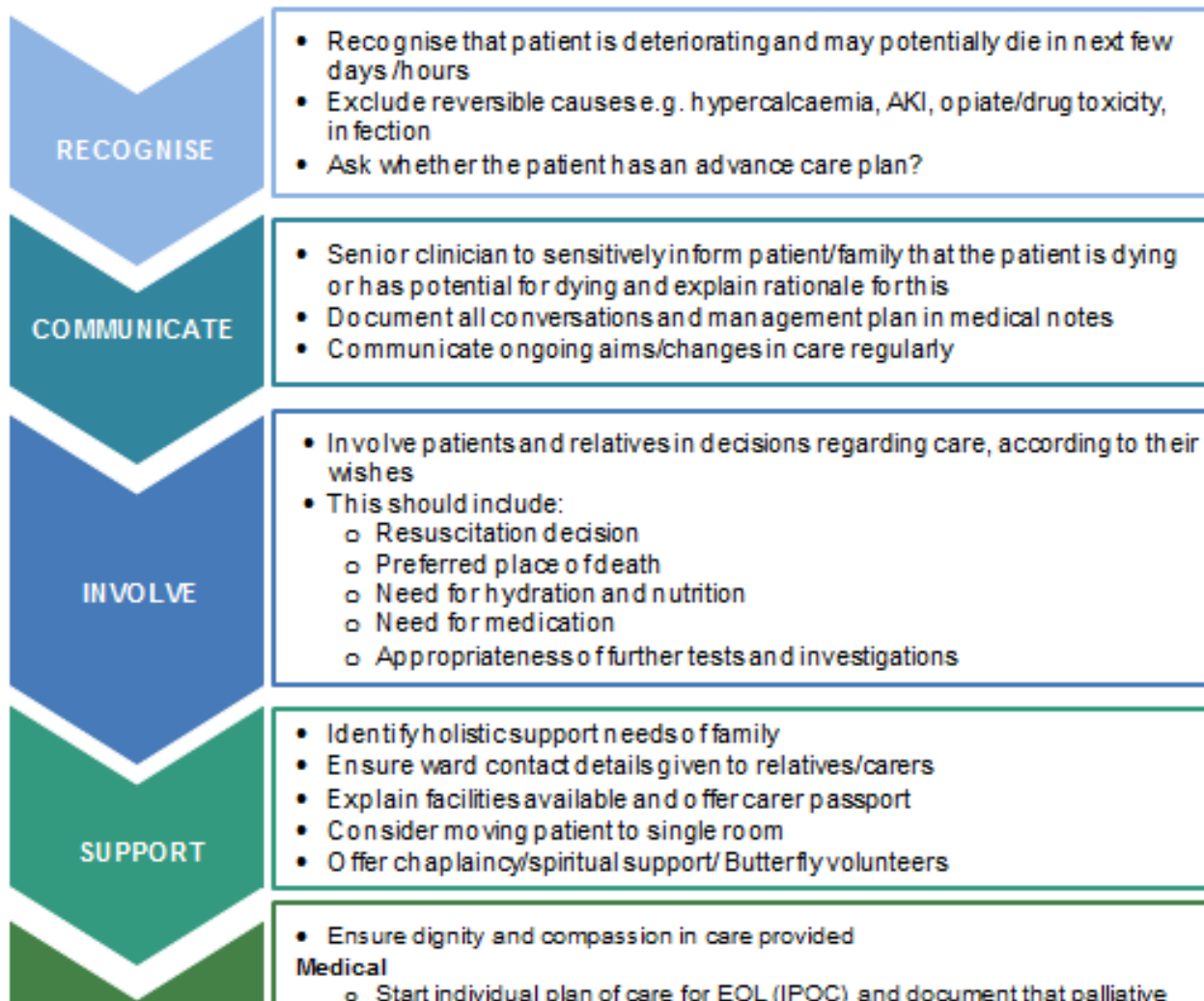
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This individual plan of care supports the provision of dignity, comfort, sensitive communication and compassionate care in the last days or hours of life and will replace the Patient Care Record and Nursing Assessments and Plans of Care documents

If the patient lacks capacity his/her Next of Kin (NOK), Welfare Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) or Independent Mental Capacity Advocate (IMCA) must be involved and supported to achieve a best interests decision regarding end of life choices

**Mental
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Assessment
(MCA)**

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| Mental Capacity Assessment Record | |
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| Decisions required | |
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| Stage 1 | Yes No |
| Does the patient have an impairment of, or disturbance to the functioning of the mind (If 'yes' please give details below) | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| If 'No' the patient cannot be deemed to lack capacity | |
| Stage 2 | Yes No |
| Can the person: | |
| 1. Understand information about the decision | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Retain and recall the information discussed? | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Weigh up that information to come to a decision? | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Communicate their decision by any means? | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| For those without capacity, please document all practicable steps that have been taken, without success, to enable the person to make a decision themselves. | |
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Assess Mental Capacity

See ([Trust Doc 10830](#))

Establish the involvement the patient wishes to have in decision making.

Establish who the patient wants involved in decisions and document details of

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| Does patient have an LPA? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If yes detail who that is</i> | |
| Name of person completing MCA assessment <i>print name</i> | | |

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| Action | | <i>Initial, Date, and Time</i> |
| <i>please tick all that apply and complete as appropriate</i> | | |
| Advance Care Plan (ACP) | | |
| Does the patient have an (ACP)? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If yes document key actions to achieve ACP below</i> Please include details of any advance decision to refuse treatment or ReSPECT form | |
| Discuss personal wishes identified that need to be addressed, including care needs after death | | |
| Organ Donation | | |
| Contact details for organ donation | | |
| Donate Body to medical science | If patient wishes to donate their body to medical science e.g. University of East Anglia Patient <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Has the patient brought all relevant paperwork? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | |

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| Staff | Death documentation must be completed as soon as possible e.g. the 1st available shift. It is imperative that the paperwork is completed in 24 Hours |
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Medical decisions

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| Doctor to document that routine observations can be discontinued | Unnecessary tests/observations stopped? <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | Yes |
| | Document any tests or observations that are to be continued <i>Document below</i> |
| | |
| Is patient diabetic | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> <i>if yes see guidelines under pink poppy icon</i> |
| Medications have been rationalised? <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes |
| Remember to inform patient and those important to the patient of any medication changes. | |

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| <i>please tick all that apply and complete as appropriate</i> | | |
| Shared decision making | | |
| Hydration | | |
| Describe current hydration needs Discuss with patient / family Assess ability to take oral fluids Support the patient to drink if they wish and are able Decide whether clinically assisted hydration is appropriate Ensure regular mouth care is offered and given according to Trust policy for oral hygiene Trustdocs Id 11887? | Document plan to maintain hydration as appropriate <i>Detail below</i> | |
| | Discuss any decision to stop artificial fluids <i>Detail below</i> | |
| | Discuss any decision to commence artificial fluids <i>Detail below</i> | |
| | Prescribe 2 hourly mouth care regularly <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Detail below</i> | |
| | Nurses to provide an mouth care tray <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Detail below</i> | |

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| Nutrition | |
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| Follow guidance for 'at risk' feeding if appropriate | Document any discussion regarding stopping feeds <i>Detail below</i> |
| Support patient to eat if they wish and are able | Discuss with patient/NOK risks/benefits of eating <i>Detail below</i> |
| Address any special dietary needs | |

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| | | <i>please tick all that apply and complete as appropriate</i> | | |
| Medication | | | | |
| Ensure anticipatory medications are prescribed as per Trustdocs Id 9883 as per flow charts | Drugs are prescribed for | <i>Tick if prescribed</i> | | |
| | eGFR>60 use morphine | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| | Pain | | | |
| | eGFR 30-60 use Oxycodone | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| | eGFR<30 use Alfentanil | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| | Nausea and Vomiting | Levomepromazine | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| | Respiratory Tract Secretions | Buscopan (Hyoscine Butylbromide) | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Breathlessness | Opiate (as per eGFR)/midazolam | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Agitation | Midazolam | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
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| Start a syringe driver if more than 2 anticipatory doses administered in 24 hours <u>Trustdocs Id</u> <u>9883</u> | Syringe driver required? <div style="float: right;"> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> </div> | |
| | Syringe Driver discussed with patient and those important to patient. <i>If yes detail any discussion</i> <div style="float: right;"> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Detail below</i> </div> | |
| | Document time and date syringe driver commenced <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 10px;"> <i>Detail below dd/mm/yyyy, and 24 hour clock)</i> </div> | |

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| <i>please tick all that apply and complete as appropriate</i> | | |
| Patient Psychological / Spiritual Needs | | |
| Psychological | Address and document psychological concerns if patient is conscious <i>Detail below</i> | |
| Spiritual Needs | Chaplaincy / faith support offered Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Declined <input type="checkbox"/> Referral made Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Psychological / Spiritual needs of those important to the patient | | |
| Assess religious, spiritual and psychological care needs of those important to the patient (inpatient units only) | Document any psychological concerns and support given <i>Detail below</i> | |
| | Document children / young people or identifiable vulnerable adults needing support and actions taken? <i>Detail below</i> | |
| | Chaplaincy or other faith support offered? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Declined <input type="checkbox"/> If yes tick if referral made Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Facilities for those important to the patient | | |

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| Ensure those important to the patient are aware of facilities available for them: | Ward contact details provided | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | Car parking facilities | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | Access to food and drink | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | Location of toilets and washing facilities | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | Overnight facilities | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | Offer carer's passport | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | Consent obtained for Butterfly Volunteer to visit | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <i>Other please state</i> | | |

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| <i>please tick all that apply and complete as appropriate</i> | | |
| Care After Death - this must be completed | | |
| Date and time of death | Date: _____ Time: _____ | |
| Doctor / Site Practitioner notified of death | Doctor / Site Practitioner has verified death? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | |
| Ensure those important to the patient are contacted and | Those important to patient contacted - <i>detail who was contacted.</i> | |

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| aware of the death as soon as possible (according to requests of those important to the patient). | Do those important to the patient wish to come to visit patient on the ward? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes what arrangements have been made? <i>Detail below</i> |
| Provide Trust Bereavement booklet | Bereavement booklet provided? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Care after death procedures Trustdocs Id 1065 | Care After Death Procedures performed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes |
| Contact the porters so the deceased patient can be moved to the mortuary | Notes sent with deceased patient? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If not detail why not</i> |
| | Document what has happened to patient belongings. <i>Detail below</i> |

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| All Health Care Professionals (HCPS) should document daily | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily assessment of symptoms and anticipatory medications• Prescribe / amend syringe driver if > 2 anticipatory doses administered• Daily review of hydration needs• Document any patient / relative concerns daily | Initial and use staff type sticker and Date <i>dd/mm/yyyy</i> and Time <i>24 hours</i> |

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