

## Proof of Vendor Compliance with Vermont Department of Health Advance Directives for Health Care Rule

The Department of Health promulgated the <u>Advance Directives for Health Care Rule</u>, effective January 1, 2017. Section 10.4 of this rule requires the Department to maintain and publish on its website a list of approved vendors for Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) identification.

To be approved under this rule the vendor must submit written proof or assurance of the following:

- That the vendor requires a copy of the signed DNR order on the Vermont DNR/COLST form prior to the issuance of a DNR ID to the patient;
- That the vendor maintains copies of each individual DNR order on file, which can be located via a specific individual identification number; and
- That the vendor provides 24-hour seven-day a week toll free telephone access in the event that information pertaining to a patient's medical order is needed;

The vendor must also submit written proof or assurance that the DNR ID includes the following minimum requirements as provided in section 10.1 of the rule:

- The principal's name, date of birth and gender;
- One of the following: "Vermont DNR", or "VT DNR", or "VT Do Not Resuscitate", or "Vermont Do Not Resuscitate";
- The words "order on file" and a 24-hour, seven-day a week telephone number that is toll
  free for the calling party to access information regarding the patient's medical order;
- An individual-specific identification number to be used to identify the patient's medical information on file; and
- Any additional information requested by the patient.

Sample:

JANE DOE • B. 1/1/1920 • FEMALE VT DNR • # 1111-2222-3333 ORDER ON FILE • 1-800-444-5555

The vendor must also submit the expected cost for a DNR ID including the initial purchase cost and any subsequent fees or enrollment charges. If any financial assistance for the purchasing and registering of the DNR ID is available, the vendor must provide a description of this assistance.

Vendor must immediately notify the Department if at any point they are no longer able to comply with the rule.

**Please submit to:** Lillian Colasurdo, Vermont Department of Health, 108 Cherry Street, PO Box 70, Burlington, VT 05402-0070 / (802) 951-0107 / Lillian.Colasurdo@vermont.gov.