Alberta Health Services - Placemat for Responding to a Patient Request to Medical Assistance in Dying (v 0.08a April 5, 2017)

### Contemplation Phase

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<th>Patient/Family INQUIRY to any of the following:</th>
<th>Determination Phase</th>
<th>Action Phase</th>
<th>Care After Death Phase</th>
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<td>Patient’s Most ResponsibleHealth Practitioner</td>
<td>1st physician or NP completes assessment and charts in patient medical record, informs patient</td>
<td>Plan developed/consider the following:</td>
<td>Care Coordination Service and/or providing physician or NP to identify supports for:</td>
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<td>Health Link 811 ➔ Care Coordination Service</td>
<td>- Patient completes written and witnessed Record of Request for Medical Assistance in Dying Form</td>
<td>- Site</td>
<td>- Family</td>
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<td>AHS Staff Member ➔ MRHP (MD or NP)</td>
<td>- Period of Reflection begins (10 clear days)</td>
<td>- Route</td>
<td>- o Implement aftercare plan</td>
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<td>AHS Care Coordination Service (CCS) (<a href="mailto:MAID.CareTeam@ahs.ca">MAID.CareTeam@ahs.ca</a>)</td>
<td>2nd physician or NP completes assessment and charts in patient medical record</td>
<td>- Date/Timeing</td>
<td>- o Psychosocial/spiritual Support</td>
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<td>Is MRHP (MD or NP) willing to be involved?</td>
<td>Patient Eligible</td>
<td>- Aftercare discussion/planning</td>
<td>- o Grief and bereavement support coordinated</td>
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<td>• providing information?</td>
<td>Patient not Eligible</td>
<td>- Other needs/wishes (e.g. Organ donation)</td>
<td>- Team members</td>
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<td>• assessment for eligibility?</td>
<td>Patient advised eligible and wishes to proceed with MAID planning.</td>
<td>TEAM Checklist (obtain checklists from CCS):</td>
<td>- o Physician and/or NP</td>
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<td>• implementation?</td>
<td>Patient advised not eligible; MRHP or CCS to connect patient with other non-MAID services.</td>
<td>- Medical Support</td>
<td>- o AHS Staff (e.g. Spiritual Care; SW, AMH)</td>
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### Determination Phase

- Provide patient with CCS contact information and discuss options
- Support connecting patient or family to CCS
- Review process
- Conduct an initial assessment of eligibility to identify any supports needed

### Action Phase

- Provide patient or family with information and discuss options
- Support connecting patient or family to CCS
- Review process
- Conduct an initial assessment of eligibility to identify any supports needed

### Care After Death Phase

- Medical Support
  - IV (MD or Nursing to initiate)
  - Other (e.g. Anesthesia support)
- Psychosocial/spiritual Support for:
  - Patient, family and loved ones
  - Team members (e.g. peer support)
  - End of Life Religious Protocols Assessment
- Administration
  - Ensure all necessary paperwork is completed
  - Process for final record/witness of patient consent to proceed

### Care Coordination Service and/or providing physician or NP to identify supports for:

- Family
  - o Implement aftercare plan
  - o Psychosocial/spiritual Support
  - o Grief and bereavement support coordinated
- Team members
  - o Physician and/or NP
  - o AHS Staff (e.g. Spiritual Care; SW, AMH)
  - o Others

### POST – Administration of Medication

- Notify Medical Examiner and fax the Providing Practitioner form for Medical Assistance in Dying form to the ME office asap.
- Care of the deceased resources on webpage
- Implementation of required End of Life Religious Protocols
- ME to arrange transport of body
- Return all unused medication to pharmacy
- Complete all required documentation and fax to CCS and ME as soon as possible
- Family to notify funeral home of Medical Examiner involvement

### Debrief and Learnings:

- Engage use of AHS MAID Supportive Review Process/Offer involvement to all team members
- Consider inviting family to provide feedback prior to debrief
- Share learnings as appropriate with:
  - Family
  - MAID CCS and team
  - AHS leadership
  - Provincial MAID Leadership

See Comprehensive Clinical Guide for detailed processes at [www.AHS.ca/MAID](http://www.AHS.ca/MAID)