made under the *Medical Treatment Planning and Decisions Act 2016* (Vic.)

Appointment of support person

Your support person can access, or help you to access, health information relevant to your medical treatment.

Your support person does not have the power to make medical treatment decisions on your behalf.

Any existing support person appointment previously made by you under the Act will be revoked on making this appointment.

# Part 1: Personal details

Before you start, read the checklist of steps with this form.

You must fill in your full name, date of birth and address. A phone number is optional.

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| Your full name: |  |
| Date of birth: (dd/mm/yyyy) |  |
| Address: |  |
| Phone number: |  |

Part 2: Support person details

I **appoint** as my support person:

Fill in the details of your support person here.

You must fill in their full name, date of birth and address.

A phone number is optional.

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| Full name: |  |
| Date of birth: (dd/mm/yyyy) |  |
| Address: |  |
| Phone number: |  |

# Part 3: Witnessing

**Signature of person making this appointment** (you sign here)

You must sign in front of two adult witnesses at the same time.

One witness must be a registered medical practitioner or able to witness affidavits.

See [justice.vic.gov.au/](http://www.justice.vic.gov.au/affidavit) [affidavit](http://www.justice.vic.gov.au/affidavit) for the list of eligible persons.

Neither witness can be your appointed support person.

Refer to the checklist if someone is signing on your behalf.

Each witness certifies that:

* at the time of signing the document, the person making this appointment appears to have decision-making capacity and appears to understand the nature and consequences of making the appointment; and
* at the time of signing the document, the person making this appointment appeared to freely and voluntarily sign the document; and
* the person signed the document in my presence and in the presence of a second witness; and
* I am not the person’s support person under this appointment.

## Witness 1 – Authorised witness

Full name of authorised witness:

A registered medical practitioner or someone able to witness affidavits must complete this section.

Qualification of authorised witness:

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| Signature of authorised witness: | Date: (dd/mm/yyyy) |

## Witness 2 – Adult witness

Full name of adult witness:

Another adult witness must complete this section.

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| Signature of adult witness: | Date: (dd/mm/yyyy) |

## If an interpreter is present when this document is witnessed

Name of interpreter:

If an interpreter is present at the time the document is witnessed, they complete this section immediately after the document is witnessed.

If accredited with the National Accreditation Authority

NAATI number:

I am competent to interpret from English into the following language:

I provided a true and correct interpretation to facilitate the witnessing of the document.

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| Signature of interpreter: | Date: (dd/mm/yyyy) |

# Part 4: Interpreter statement

## If an interpreter assisted in the preparation of this document

I interpreted in the following language:

If an interpreter assisted you in preparing this document, the interpreter completes this part.

Cross out Part 4 if not relevant.

When I interpreted into this language the person appeared to understand the language used in the document.

Name of interpreter:

Appointment of support person

NAATI number (if accredited):

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| Signature of interpreter: | Date: (dd/mm/yyyy) |

# Part 5: Statement of acceptance

## The support person you appoint must read the statement of acceptance and sign in front of an adult witness.

**Support person**

I accept my appointment as support person and state that I understand the role of a support person is to:

Your support person must read this statement of acceptance and sign in front of an adult witness.

* support the person to make, communicate and give effect to the person’s medical treatment decisions; and
* represent the interests of the person in respect of the person’s medical treatment, including when the person does not have decision-making capacity in relation to medical treatment decisions.

Name of support person:

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| Signature of support person: | Date: (dd/mm/yyyy) |

I certify that I witnessed the signing of this statement of acceptance. Name of adult witness:

Witness completes this section.

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| Signature of adult witness: | Date: (dd/mm/yyyy) |

You have reached the end of this form.

* Please keep your original ‘Appointment of support person’ form safe and accessible.
* Your ‘Appointment of support person’ form can be uploaded on MyHealth Record.