



Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3701-62-05 Do-not-resuscitate protocol.

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(A) The appendix to this rule will constitute the do-not-resuscitate protocol for the state of Ohio.

(B) Under the protocol, a person can be a "DNR Comfort Care" patient or a "DNR Comfort Care - Arrest" patient. The DNR protocol is activated:

(1) For a "DNR Comfort Care" patient when:

(a) A DNR order is issued; or

(b) A living will declaration that includes a directive that the declarant not receive CPR becomes operative under section 2133.03 of the Revised Code.

(2) For a "DNR Comfort Care - Arrest" patient, when the patient experiences cardiac or respiratory arrest as defined in paragraphs (D) and (X) of rule 3701-62-01 of the Administrative Code.

(C) A "DNR Comfort Care" or "DNR Comfort Care - Arrest" patient is identified by:

(1) The appropriate identification on the patient's DNR order form;

(2) DNR identification, as specified in rule 3701-62-04 of the Administrative Code; or

(3) If the patient does not have DNR identification, documentation in the patient's medical record by an authorized health care provider, that in the event of a cardiac arrest or a respiratory arrest, the patient is not to receive CPR, or that the individual wants comfort care only. This documentation is only acceptable within the confines of the health care facility in which the medical record is maintained. If the individual is discharged or transferred to another health care facility and the patient or patient's representative elects to continue the DNR status, a state of Ohio DNR order form will be completed for the patient in accordance with rule 3701-62-09 of the Administrative Code.



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