Advance Care planning, DNACPR and RESPECT

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Mr Jones, 76

- COPD, type 2 diabetes, HTN
- Recurrent chest infections
- Lives with his wife who has Alzheimers
- Increased frequency of LRTI with minimal time between courses of antibiotics. Sees own GP regularly.
- OOH call from daughter that he is unwell, fever, delerious. She says he doesn't want to go to hospital.
- What would you like to know?

- 'Advance care planning is a process that supports adults at any age or stage of health in understanding and sharing their personal values, life goals, and preferences regarding future medical care. The goal of advance care planning is to help ensure that people receive medical care that is consistent with their values, goals and preferences during serious and chronic illness.'
- International Consensus Definition of Advance Care Planning (Sudore et al 2017)

Advance Care Planning discussions



In line with the UK Mental Capacity Act

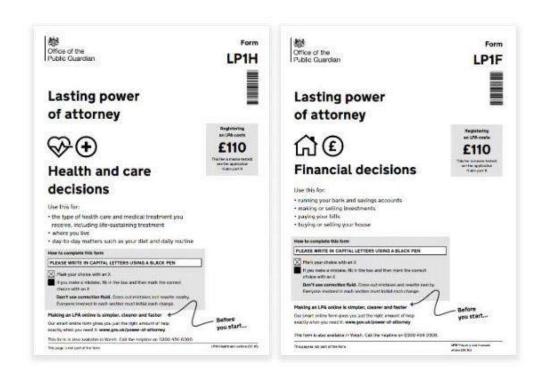
Mental Capacity Act 2005

ACP must meet the requirements of MCA

- Assumed capacity
- Supported to make own decision even if unwise
- Best interests
- Least restrictive option of their rights and freedom

Who is the decision maker?

- Patient
- ADRT
- LPA
- Doctor



4. Do you have a Legal Advance Decision to Refuse Treatment document? (This is in keeping with the Mental Capacity Act (2005) and enables people to make decisions that will be useful if at some future stage they can no longer express their views themselves) No / Yes

If yes please give details (eg who has a copy?)

5. Proxy / next of kin

Who else would you like to be involved if it ever becomes difficult for you to make decisions or if there was an emergency? Do they have official Lasting Power of Attorney (LPoA)?

Validity of an ADRT

- Must be in writing if refusing treatment which is life sustaining- Template examples available
- Can only be made by a person age 18+ who has capacity
- Only applies when the person is incapacitated
- Must be signed by the maker and in the presence of a witness
- Must be a specific statement about a specific treatment in a specific circumstance
- Wording must clearly state 'even if life is at risk'

DO NOT ATTEMPT CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION
Adults aged 16 years and over
In the event of cardiac or respiratory arrest do not attempt cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)
All other appropriate treatment and care will be provided

Name:	NHS		
Address:	East of Englan		
	Date of DNACPR order:		
Date of birth: / /			
NHS number:			
Reason for DNACPR decision (tick one or more boxe	es and provide further information)		
CPR is unlikely to be successful [i.e. medically futile] be	ecause:		
Successful CPR is likely to result in a length and qualit	ly of life not in the best interests of the patient because:		
Patient does not want to be resuscitated as evidenced	d by:		
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Professional Guidance - Resus Council / GMC

- https://www.resus.org.uk/dnacpr/decisions-relating-to-cpr/
- GMC- 132. As with other treatments, decisions about whether CPR should be attempted must be based on the *circumstances* and wishes of the individual patient. This may involve discussions with the patient or with those close to them, or both, as well as members of the healthcare team. You must approach discussions sensitively and bear in mind that some patients, or those close to them, may have concerns that decisions not to attempt CPR might be influenced by poorly informed or unfounded assumptions about the impact of disability or advanced age on the patient's quality of life.

Definitions - Cardiopulmonary Arrest

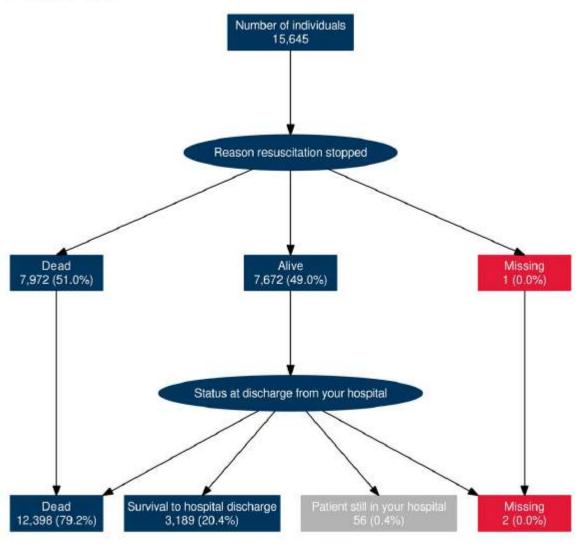
Sudden cessation of spontaneous breathing and circulation.

 Commonest causes: trauma / blood loss / cardiac arrhythmia / massive PE / cerebral bleed/thrombosis.

CPR

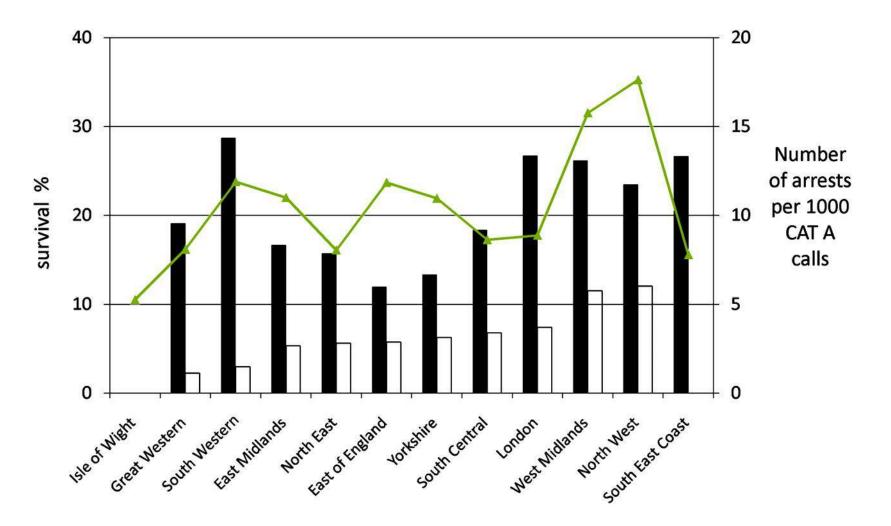
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- Intended for sudden cardiac / resp arrest
- Acute care settings (trauma, emergency med, ICU)
- Provides emergency support as a 'holding measure' to a technically dead patient before more intensive care can be commenced.
- NOT for prolonging dying
- Resuscitation, NOT resurrection!
- How successful is it?

Outcome flow



All percentages are reported as the percentage of all individuals (N=15,645).

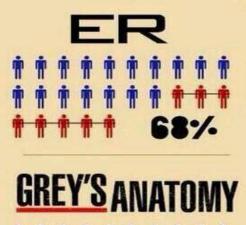
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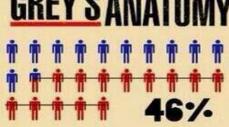
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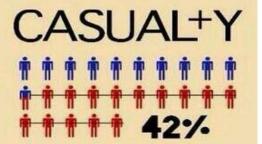


CPR SURVIVAL RATES: ON SCREEN VS. REALLIFE











IN THE REAL WORLD, CPR SAVES JUST ONE IN EIGHT HOSPITAL PATIENTS.



Piktochart make information beautiful

WHEN DOES CPR HAVE THE BEST CHANCE?

- Witnessed arrest
- Immediate BLS
- Defib asap for VF / VT
- Generally robust health
- Non- cancer diagnosis
- CA with no or limited metastases
- Good performance status (not housebound)
- No known infection, esp chest
- Normotensive

POTENTIAL HARMS OF CPR

- Broken ribs / sternum
- Pneumothorax
- Other organ damage (heart / liver)
- Neurological disability
- Family distress witnessing CPR (beware of over-paternalising)
- Staff distress
- Diversion of resources

Reasons for DNACPR

A) FUTILITY NOT A VALID REASON

B) BASED ON BALANCE OF BENEFITS / BURDENS

C)PATIENT HAS VALID ADRT (specifically to REFUSE CPR)

CPR DISCUSSIONS - Who to involve?

- Patient with mental capacity
- Will they engage?
- Confidentiality
- Patient lacks mental capacity
- Most senior clinician responsible for decision
- Is there a valid and applicable ADRT?
- Is there a welfare attorney (LPA) or other legal surrogate?
- Do they have family / friends / others involved for best interests meeting?
- IMCA if no advocate (esp if benefits / burdens decision)

Be clear whose decision it is

- Are you asking or informing?
- In "Best Interests" setting, NOT asking family to make the decision
- Their views on <u>what the patient would want</u> will be taken into account

 Cannot insist on a treatment, or on witholding / withdrawing a treatment

What about the Cambridge ruling (Court of Appeal 2014)?

Presumption in favour of patient involvement

Unless:

Expressed wish not to discuss

Likely to cause HARM(physical/psychological

Not just distress

What if there is disagreement?

 No legal right to a treatment that is clinically inappropriate

 But offer second opinion (not legally obliged if unanimous MDT decision)

Ethical Considerations in Medicine

- 4 cardinal principles
- Doctors have a dual responsibility-to preserve life and relieve suffering
- At the end of life, relief of suffering increases in importance as preserving life becomes increasingly impossible.

As with all decisions...Document carefully

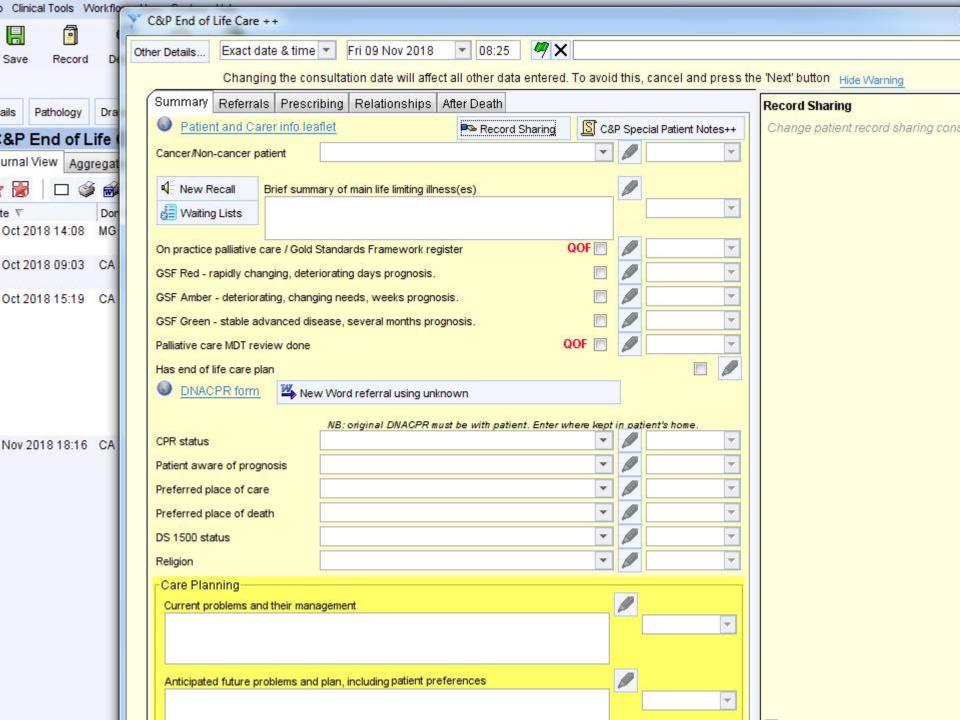
- Attempts to involve patient
- Rationale for decisions
- Who was involved / consulted
- Reasons why discussion would be harmful
- Any conflict

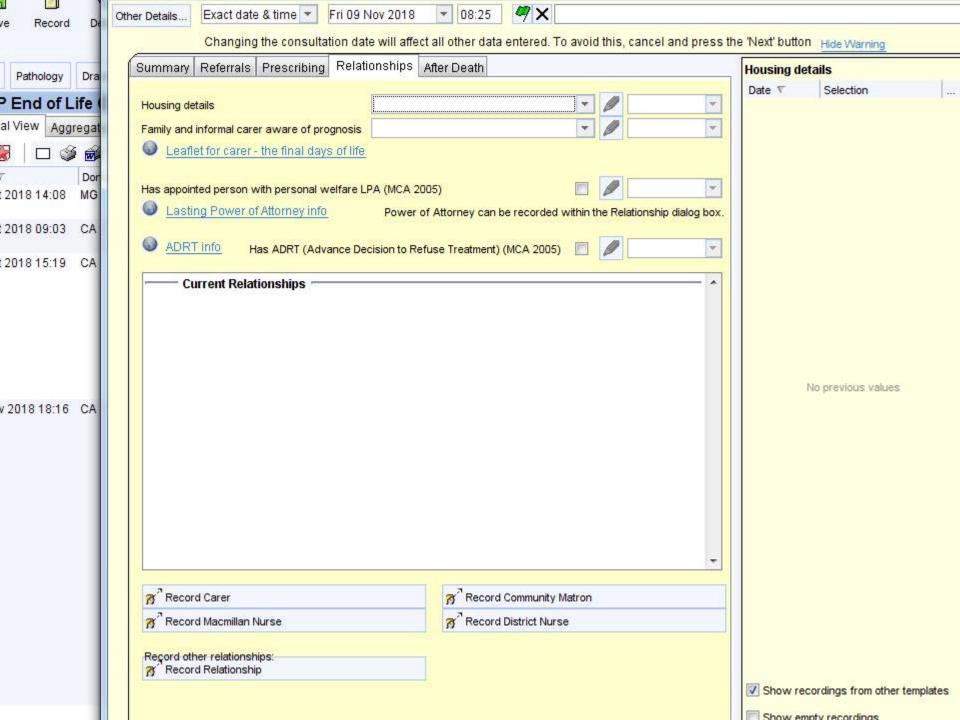
OTHER CEILINGS OF TREATMENT

- Antibiotics (oral vs IV)
- Ventilation (invasive vs NIV vs optiflow)
- Artificial hydration and nutrition (PEG / NG)
- Hospitalisation vs Home / Hospice-based care
- Ward vs ITU
- Don't forget ICD's!

WHERE TO RECORD?

Systm One (EPaCCS)
Web-based
Accessible across care boundaries
Including OOH primary care,
ambulances, A&E





ReSPECT



Recommended

Summary

Plan for

Emergency

Care and

Treatment

www.respectprocess.org.uk

ReSPECT

ReSPECT is a process that creates personalised recommendations for a person's clinical care in a future **emergency** in which they are unable to make or express choices.

It provides health and care professionals responding to that emergency with a summary of recommendations to help them to make immediate decisions about that person's care and treatment.

. Personal details	Summary Plan for and Treatment for			365
Full name		Date of birth	Date completed	
NHS/CHI/Health and care numbe	r	Address		6
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5. Capacity and representation at time of completion

Does the person have sufficient capacity to participate in making the recommendations on this plan?

Yes / No

Do they have a legal proxy (e.g. welfare attorney, person with parental responsibility) who can participate on their behalf in making the recommendations?

Yes / No / Unknown
If so, document details in emergency contact section below

6. Involvement in making this plan

The clinician(s) signing this plan is/are confirming that these recommendations have (circle at least one):

- A been recorded after discussion involving this person, who has sufficient mental capacity to participate in making relevant decisions
- B where appropriate, been discussed with a person holding parental responsibility
- C in the case of a person who does not have sufficient mental capacity to participate in relevant decision-making, been made in accordance with capacity law
- D been made without involving the patient (or best interests/overall benefit meeting if the patient lacks capacity)

If **D** has been circled, state valid reasons here. Document full explanation in the clinical record.

Date, names and roles of those involved in discussion, and where records of discussions can be found:

7. Clinicians' signatures

Designation (grade/speciality)	Clinician name	GMC/NMC/ HCPC Number	Signature	Date & time
Senior responsible o	linician			

8. Emergency contacts

Role	Name	Telephone	Other details
Legal proxy/parent			
Family/friend			
GP			
Lead Consultant			
Other			

9. Confirmation of validity (e.g. for change of condition)

Review date	Designation (grade/speciality)	Clinician name	GMC/NMC/ HCPC number	Signature

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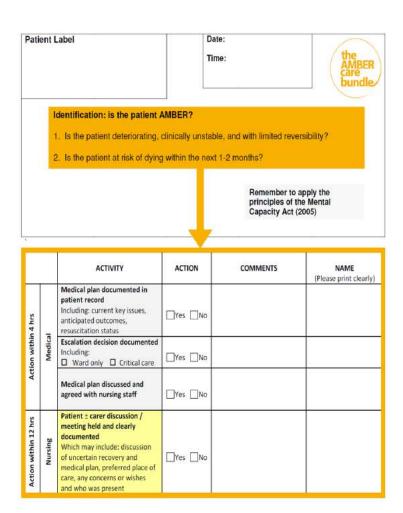
The plan is created through conversations between a person and their health professionals.

ReSPECT can be complementary to a wider process of advance/anticipatory care planning.

AMBER

Ward staff identify patients....

- Deteriorating, clinically unstable, limited reversibility?
- •At risk of dying in this admission?
- Communication aid
- Discussion with patient& family
- Ceiling of care
- •DNAR
- PPC and PPDDischarge summary



In practice.....

 ACP is incredibly useful for clinicians who do not know the patient and at a time when patient cannot make their own decisions

- How do terminally ill patients die?
- > Increasing somnolence
- > Loss of consciousness over time
- Cheyne Stokes Respiration.
- > Heart stops

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QUESTIONS?