

WyoPOLST

FAQ's



Q – Will the Comfort One bracelet still be available?

A – No, WyoPOLST is taking the place of the Comfort One program. Comfort One's can be acquired through June 30, 2016, after which they will not be available anymore. All previous issued Comfort One bracelets will be recognized for as long as they are in use by those who have purchased them.

Q – What will be the protocol if a Palliative or Hospice patient out in the community has a medical event? How will EMS know a person is DNR?

A – We encourage patients to have the form with them or post it where it can be easily seen in their residence, like inside the front door, etc. Also, if the person is accompanied by a family member or close friend, they should know in general what the patient's wishes are, in order to assist in a situation like this. Emergency Medical Personnel will be trained and familiar on the WyoPOLST form.

Q – Who can sign the WyoPOLST?

A – The WyoPOLST can be signed by a medical professional who has the ability to write medical orders. In Wyoming, this is an MD, PA, FNP, and APRN.

Q – Does the WyoPOLST cross state lines?

A – By statute and rule Wyoming will recognize POLST documents from other states for individuals that come into Wyoming. The WyoPOLST is valid in Wyoming, when a person with a WyoPOLST is traveling out of state it is a good idea for them to carry their WyoPOLST and any advance directive with them. This will give any medical personnel information on the person's wishes.

Q – Should the WyoPOLST be copied onto a certain color paper?

A – Yes, it is recommended that the WyoPOLST original and copies be on gold paper.

Q – Where should the WyoPOLST be placed in the patient's room?

A – We recommend that the patient post the completed WyoPOLST form on the fridge or inside the front door at their residence. The WyoPOLST form should be placed in the patient chart in a facility, it is up to the facility if and where the form is placed within the patient's room.

