



# Appointment of support person

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

For patient record purposes, health services can affix UR number, patient name and date of birth here

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.

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.

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

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Appointment by: (insert your full name)

## Part 3: Witnessing

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/affidavit](http://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.

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

[Signature box]

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

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

Full name of authorised witness:

[Full name box]

Qualification of authorised witness:

[Qualification box]

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

[Signature and Date boxes]

### Witness 2 – Adult witness

Another adult witness must complete this section.

Full name of adult witness:

[Full name box]

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

[Signature and Date boxes]



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Appointment by: (insert your full name)	
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## If an interpreter is present when this document is witnessed

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

Name of interpreter:

If accredited with the National Accreditation Authority

NAATI number:	
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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.

Signature of interpreter:	Date: (dd/mm/yyyy)
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

## Part 4: Interpreter statement

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

If an interpreter assisted you in preparing this document, the interpreter completes this part. Cross out Part 4 if not relevant.

I interpreted in the following language:

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

Name of interpreter:

NAATI number (if accredited):	
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Signature of interpreter:	Date: (dd/mm/yyyy)
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## Part 5: Statement of acceptance

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

Your support person must read this 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:

- 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:

[Text box for Name of support person]

Signature of support person:

Date: (dd/mm/yyyy)

[Text boxes for Signature and Date of support person]

Witness completes this section.

I certify that I witnessed the signing of this statement of acceptance.

Name of adult witness:

[Text box for Name of adult witness]

Signature of adult witness:

Date: (dd/mm/yyyy)

[Text boxes for Signature and Date of adult witness]

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.