



ADVANCE DIRECTIVES LEGAL DOCUMENTS TO PREPARE FOR INJURY, ILLNESS, OR ARREST IN NY

Advance directives are legal documents that allow you to prepare for the future. These documents can be useful and empowering to have during these uncertain times.

There are many different types of advance directive documents. Here are some that are simple to complete and may be helpful now:



Healthcare Proxy: allows you to name someone as an “agent” who can make decisions about your medical care in case you cannot make those decisions for yourself.



Designation of Person in Parental Relation: allows you to give temporary authority to someone to care for and make certain decisions for your child(ren). Authority can be for a specific time or can be triggered by an event, such as a parent’s hospitalization, arrest, or incarceration.



Designation of Standby Guardian: allows you to nominate someone to act as your child’s guardian in the event of your death, physical/mental incapacity, or immigration detention/deportation.

For more information, copies of forms, or to see if you are eligible for free or low cost legal assistance, please contact us.

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