

SCENARIOS FOR CARE

A. If my doctor has definitely determined that I have a condition that will shortly cause my death (fatal or terminal condition), and I am unconscious or otherwise unable to speak for myself, then my wishes regarding the use of the following will be:

	I want	I do not want	I am undecided	I want to try: If No Clear Improvement Stop Treatment
1. CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR) The use of drugs, artificial breathing, external chest compression, and/or electric shock to restart the heart beating to restart the heart beating.				
2. MECHANICAL BREATHING Breathing by a machine through a tube inserted through the mouth or nose.				
3. ARTIFICIAL NUTRITION/ HYDRATION Feedings and fluid given through a tube in the veins, nose or stomach.				
4. PAIN MEDICATIONS (even if they dull consciousness and indirectly shorten my life)				
5. ANTIBIOTICS Drugs to fight infection.				
6. BLOOD OR BLOOD PRODUCTS				

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B. *If I am unconscious from an accident or severe illness, and there is no known hope of recovering conscious awareness of my environment (irreversible coma or brain death), but machines and drugs could keep my body alive for years, then my wishes regarding the use of the following would be:*

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2. MECHANICAL BREATHING Breathing by a machine through a tube inserted through the mouth or nose.				
3. ARTIFICIAL NUTRITION/HYDRATION Feedings and fluid given through a tube in the veins, nose or stomach.				
4. PAIN MEDICATIONS (even if they dull consciousness and indirectly shorten my life)				
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6. BLOOD OR BLOOD PRODUCTS				

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C. *If I become permanently confused or have declined mentally so that I am not capable of caring for myself or being part of any meaningful interaction with family and friends (such as Alzheimer’s Disease, multiple strokes, or dementia), and I become ill, then my wishes regarding the use of the following would be:*

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5. ANTIBIOTICS Drugs to fight infection.				
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D. *If I am healthy and am in an accident or suffer a sudden illness making me unable to make my wishes known, and my condition is potentially reversible in the opinion of my doctor, then my wishes regarding the use of the following would be:*

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4. PAIN MEDICATIONS (even if they dull consciousness and indirectly shorten my life)				
5. ANTIBIOTICS Drugs to fight infection.				
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