# What is Advance Care Planning?

### **Advance Care Planning**

Advance Care Planning is the process of identifying and discussing future medical decisions between you and your friends, loved ones, care providers, clergy and other advisors.

#### **Conversations**

Advance Care Planning typically includes conversations about your healthcare treatment options and your healthcare goals.

#### **Decisions**

Advance Care Planning decisions might include determining what kinds of care

and treatment you would or would not want, appointing a healthcare agent, and completing an advance directive.



"It always seems too early, until it's too late"

#### **About Us**

#### **Vision**

The health care choices a person makes become the health care the person receives.

#### Mission

We assist communities develop a successful advance care planning process.



- Promote advance care planning through community and professional outreach and education
- Promote standardization of advance care planning
- Establish a base of financial support

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"One conversation can make all the difference."

## **Key Decisions**

Some of the key decisions about your healthcare may include preferences, such as:

- Values and Religious Beliefs
- Resuscitation
- Hydration
- Dialysis
- Organ Donation



Advance Care Planning of North
Dakota is reaching out to prospective
members and engaging those who
bring a wealth of knowledge to the
organization. Our
organization consists
of over 200 partners
in organizations
across North Dakota
who bring their views, experiences,

and expertise to this important effort.

## Why is Advance Care Planning Important?

A report from the Institute of Medicine in 2014 finds that **most people are** unable to make their own decisions about care when they're nearing the end of life. This is why it is important to have a conversation with your love ones and care providers about your goals and preferences. Sudden injury or illness can affect anyone. **Start your conversation now.** 

## How do I get started?

- ✓ Learn more about advance care planning
- ✓ Make informed decisions
- ☑ Identify a health care agent
- ☑ Have a conversation with your loves ones or care providers.
- ☑ Complete a health care directive

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