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Section 2: ACP Education resources

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- Online education modules
- ACP champion workshop
- Peer support guide

ACP champion workshop powerpoint

- Workshop activity worksheets
- Workshop ACP document – *Statement of Choices (SoC)*
- Workshop auditing of ACP document – *Auditing of SoC Documents*

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Overview of the education resources

This *Guide* offers a package of education resources that can be used to embed an ACP program in your facility. This package has three main components:

- Online education modules
- ACP Champion workshop
- Peer support activities.

After completion of the online education modules and the workshop, you will be able to begin your role as the designated *ACP Champion* or in your workplace.

The peer support activities are designed to promote sustainability of the ACP program in your facility, and to mentor and develop new staff in becoming ACP Champions in their own right.

Objectives

After completing the ACP education, you should be able to:

- Explain ACP and its importance and benefits to residents, their families and/or substitute decision(s) in your residential Aged Care Facility (RACF)
- Identify the best practice principles for implementing ACP in residential aged care
- Develop an understanding of the commonly used documents available in your jurisdiction for advance care planning and their implications for clinical practice in a RACF
- Initiate ongoing ACP conversations with residents, their family and/or substitute decision maker(s)
- Facilitate the completion of a Statement of Choices by a resident/substitute decision maker(s) including the contribution and signature of the resident's doctor
- Outline the steps involved in getting a completed ACP document uploaded to The Viewer
- Educate staff in your RACF about ACP, how to respond to residents' cues and the processes and documentation in your RACF
- Identify resources for additional information ACP.

Online education modules

You are encouraged to complete 5 online education modules prior to conducting the ACP champion workshop and other training modules. These modules will give you a sound grounding in ACP knowledge and skills, and confidence to deliver ACP education to your facility staff.

Aim of each module

Module	Aim
Module 1	Introducing ACP for the people in your care
Module 2	Understanding ACP documents commonly used in Queensland
Module 3	Supporting conversations to complete a Statement of Choices document
Module 4	Cultural considerations for end-of-life care
Module 5	Using the PREPARED framework to support ACP conversations

Time for completion

Each module will take approximately 15 minutes to complete.

Certificate of completion

You will be able to print a certificate of completion for each module. Keep these certificates for your professional portfolio and for your facility's accreditation regarding person-centred care.

Accessing the modules

The modules can be accessed at:

<https://www.caresearch.com.au/eolcareracf/tabid/4664/Default.aspx>

ACP champion workshop

Please note: this workshop focuses on only one ACP document – the Statement of Choices (SoC). If required, the workshop can focus on the completion of an Advance Health Directive (AHD) or an Enduring Power of Attorney (EPOA).

Suggested Program (morning start, half-day workshop)

TIME	TOPIC
8:00 – 8:30 am	Tea and coffee Registration
8:30 - 8:50 am	Welcome Acknowledgement of the Custodians of the Land Overview of the workshop Introductions
8:50 – 9:35 am	The Good Conversation
9:35 - 10:20 am	Starting the Good Conversation
10:20 - 10:40 am	MORNING TEA
10:40 - 11:00 am	Quiz!
11:00 – 12:20 pm	Having the Good Conversation
12:20 – 12:50 pm	LUNCH
12:50 – 1:20 pm	Future Good Conversations
1:20 - 1:30 pm	Concluding the Good Conversation

Facilitators

ACP Champions in your workplace – it is good to have two facilitators if possible, depending on participant numbers.

Objectives

After completing this workshop, you should be able to:

- Initiate and undertake ACP discussions with residents, families and/or substitute decision maker(s) (SDM)
- Champion ACP within your current place of practice
- Train other staff about ACP and its benefits for residents in your RACF
- Enhance the ACP process through reflective practice.

Peer support

Another important component of a sustainable ACP champion program is peer support. It is recommended that you develop a peer group of ACP Champions within your facility.

By meeting regularly and sharing both workload and ideas you will build knowledge, skills, and confidence in your ACP practice over time. It is much more fun when you share.

What is peer support?

Peer support involves informal sharing with peers from learned experiences through informal and democratic conversation. It may occur:

- In person, over telephone or via the internet
- Between two people, a small group or within a larger group.

Benefits of peer support

The benefits of peer support include:

- helping individuals to know where to find information to get answers
- helping ACP champions, in conjunction with their managers, to develop and refine ACP processes within your facility.
- Sharing expertise with other ACP champions may empower both the people giving and receiving the information.



Suggested peer support activities

1. *Statement of Choices critique*

- After each of you first support a resident/substitute decision maker to consider completing a Statement of Choices, employing respect and confidentiality, share your experience and your key learnings with your peers. Alternatively, you may wish to support a resident to complete an Advance Health Directive (AHD), especially the values section (see *Section 3*), and/or an Enduring Power of Attorney (EPOA) and share your experience with your peers.

- Resources/references you can use for this activity include:
 - Guide for health professionals: how to use the Statement of Choices (*see Section 4*)
 - Tips for completing a Statement of Choices (*see Section 4*)
 - Steps for completed ACP documents to be uploaded to The Viewer (*see Section 4*)
 - Auditing of ACP documents (*see Section 4*)
 - Clayton JM, Handcock KM, Butlow PN, Tattersall MHN, Currow DC. Clinical practice guidelines for communication prognosis and end-of-life issues with adults in the advanced stages of a life limiting illness, and their caregivers. *Med J Aust.* 2007; 186:S76-108.

2. See the ACP process through

- The junior ACP Champion can 'buddy' with an experienced ACP Champion to 'walk' the entire ACP process for one resident, from initiating the ACP discussion with a resident/substitute decision maker, through making an appointment to support completion of an ACP document, to arranging the consultation with the GP and ensuring a copy of the document is sent to the Statewide Office of Advance Care Planning and other administrative processes according to the facility's procedures.
- Before starting, the champion ensures they have:
 - An understanding of the resident's clinical history.
 - If there is an existing AHD, EPOA or any other advance care planning documentation, these documents must be located and read thoroughly.
- The ACP champion will conduct the ACP discussion with a resident, family and/or substitute decision maker(s).
- The discussion is documented in the resident's clinical record by the ACP champion.
- If appropriate, an ACP document may be completed as per the current workplace practices of the facility.
- If completing a SoC or the values section of the AHD, ensure that the resident's own words indicating their values, beliefs and health care preferences are documented.
- If an ACP document has been completed, the champion ensures the process of uploading a copy of the document to The Viewer is followed. The resident may choose to upload a copy of the ACP document to their My Health Record.

3. Provide peer education

- The ACP Champion will 'buddy' with another champion to provide ACP education to their staff
- For this activity, the Champions will conduct a training session with other RACF staff, ensuring all staff are updated and supported
- The ACP champion may use one or more of the short training sessions included in Section 3 of *the Guide: Delivering ACP Training*.
- An electronic copy of these short training sessions are available in Section 3 of *the Guide* on www.mycaremychoices.com.au and on www.pallconsult.com.au
- This peer exercise will include a debrief and feedback session with the other ACP Champion(s) after completing the training session.

ACP champion workshop powerpoint

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Advance Care Planning Champion workshop

Developed by: Brisbane South Palliative Care Collaborative

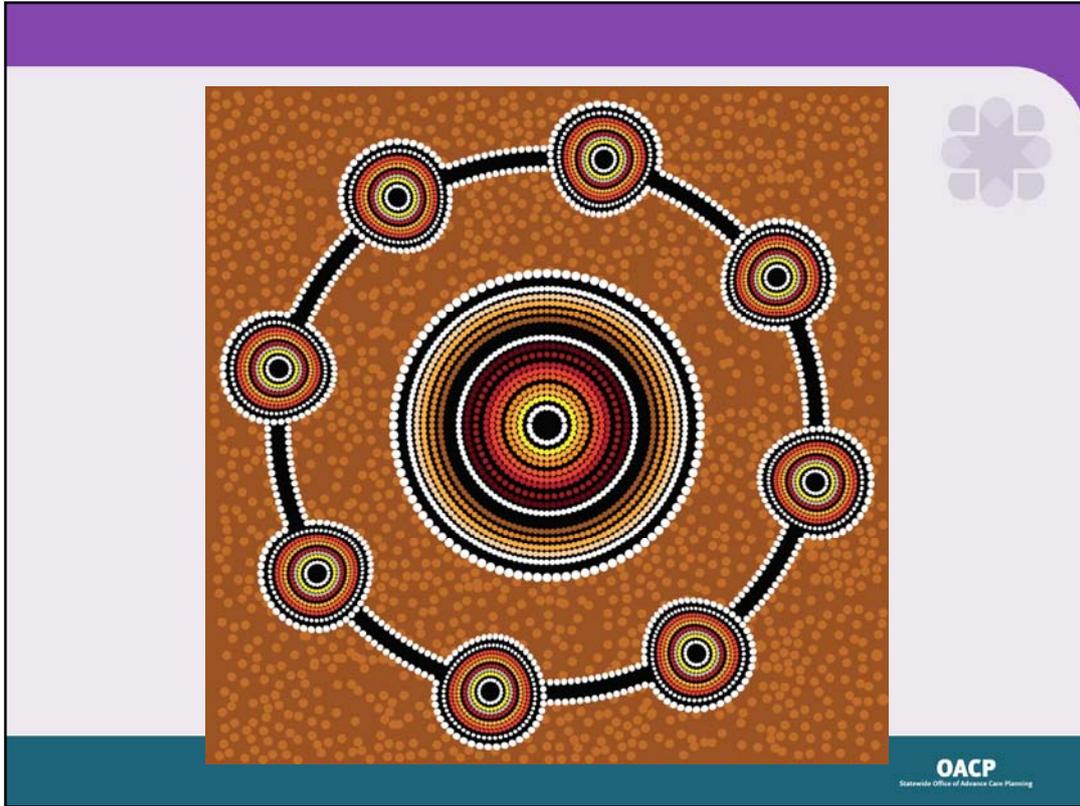
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Workshop facilitator notes

- Registration desk
- Have Attendee list – encourage update of any new details

- Initial Welcome



Workshop facilitator notes

Acknowledge of the Custodians of the Land, for example:

Hello my name is [*insert name of speaker*]. I would like to begin by paying my respect to the [*insert local Indigenous*] people, the custodians of this land on which we meet today and to recognise their continuing connection to land, water and community. I celebrate the uniqueness of the world's oldest living cultures and respectfully acknowledge the diversity of cultural and spiritual beliefs. I pay respect to the Elders past, present and those yet to come as we walk together towards a healthier future.

Workshop objectives



After completing this workshop you should be able to:

- Initiate and undertake advance care planning (ACP) discussions with residents, families and/or substitute decision maker(s), within your scope of practice
- Champion ACP within your place of practice and support completion of ACP documents that reflect residents' wishes
- Train other staff about ACP and its benefits for residents in residential aged care facilities (RACFs)
- Enhance your ACP discussions through reflective practice.

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Workshop facilitator notes

Our vision for the day is to:

- build real skills
- build networks for ongoing support
- enhance the ACP process through reflective practice

Refer to *The Guide*

The Guide is for your use as an on-going resource in your workplace. We will familiarise you with *the Guide's* resources throughout the course of this workshop

To begin building our mutual trust, we need to know a little bit about each other..... to next slide ...

Activity 1: Introductions



- Partner with someone you know least well
- Discover their preferred name, where in your facility they work, and something surprising about them that demonstrates unique skill or strength!
- Introduce your partner to the group emphasizing this strength.

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Deliver instruction

Allow 5 minutes

Model the activity

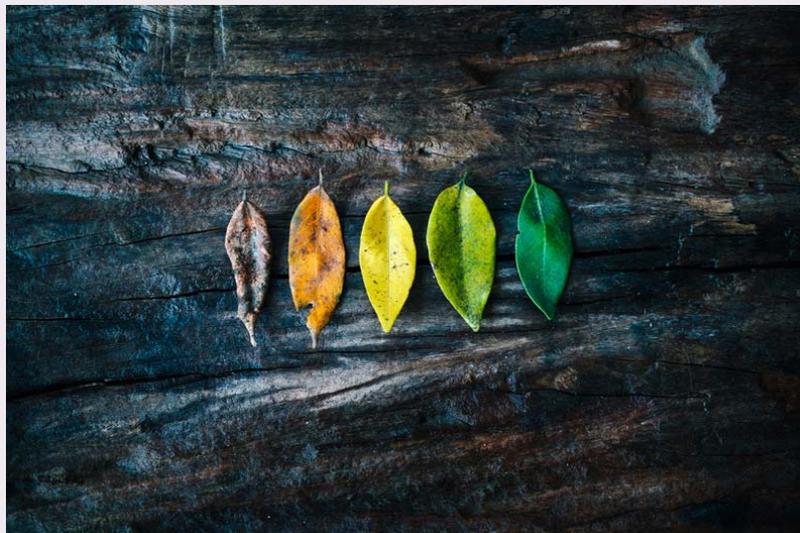
Timing:

- 5 mins to find and discover

- 10 mins to intro each other

TOTAL: 15mins

The good conversation



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In a sensitive conversation there is much that is outside our control. There are however many elements we can influence. We aim for a good ACP conversation each time.

BRAINSTORM

Ask group *“From your experience what are the elements that increase the likelihood of a good conversation?”*

Instructions for facilitators:

Facilitate group discussion

Scribe responses on whiteboard

PREPARED: a framework



- **P**repare for the conversation
- **R**elate to the person
- **E**licit patient and caregiver preferences
- **P**rovide information
- **A**cknowledge emotions and concerns
- **R**ealistic hope
- **E**ncourage questions
- **D**ocument.



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- Work through each dot point and explain that each dot point will be expanded in the following slides

Prepare for the discussion



- Gain consent from resident and/or SDM(s) for ACP conversation
- Ascertain who will attend, e.g. resident, family, SDM(s), general practitioner (GP) and/or Allied Health
- Prepare a quiet, private space and uninterrupted time
- Prepare yourself– review resident's history and be self-aware.

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Points to prompt discussion

- Ensure appropriate participants are invited to attend; include GP invitation or input if unable to attend
- Pre-book an appropriate meeting place, could be resident's room
- Prepare with offer of water, tissues, cup of tea, pre-empt toileting of resident.

Relate to the person



- Introductory conversation
- Demonstrate genuine empathy and compassion
- Residents, families and/or SDM(s) may have misconceptions or incorrect information that require reassurance and clarification
- Certain fears about the dying process can be easily dispelled with honest discussions.



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Open discussion sharing measures participants employ

Points to prompt discussion

- Introduce self prior to commencement, and informal chat to break the ice- everyone may be a bit nervous about meeting and what to expect
- A warm tone and open posture are important to make all feel comfortable; remember >70% communication is non-verbal
- Relay some important information that you know about the resident /family from a strength-based perspective.

Elicit resident, SDM and family preferences



- Discuss the reason for the conversation and elicit the expectations of residents, families and/or SDM(s)
- Clarify understanding of the situation and establish how much detail is required from the outset and progressively
- Consider cultural and contextual factors that inform preferences.



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Points to prompt discussion

- Give summary of reason for discussion and draw out resident/family expectations
- Ask if there are any cultural/religious aspects/rituals important to resident/family which should be honoured.

Provide information



- Provide information specific to the needs, concerns, fears of the resident, family and/or SDM(s)
- Involve GP if medical information or clarification is requested that is beyond your scope of practice
- Involve spiritual/cultural leader for spiritual guidance/authority if beneficial.



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Points to prompt discussion

- Be knowledgeable about residents' conditions which may impact discussions
- Be knowledgeable about residents' religious/cultural beliefs and how those beliefs may impact discussions
- You may need to give prompts like: "Some people in your situation have been concerned about pain/lack of privacy/gasping for breath/dying alone..."

Acknowledge emotions and concerns



- Check understanding of what has been discussed
- Allow time for emotions to be expressed and acknowledged
- Establish whether the information provided meets the needs of the resident, family and/or SDM(s)
- Acknowledge sensitive issues as they arise.



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Points to prompt discussion

- Acknowledge that this may be the first time family and resident have discussed these topics and what their wishes are
- Acknowledge and name emotions as they come up
- Ask resident and family to repeat back certain information to ensure they understand what has been said
- Ask what the resident/family is MOST worried about and address these concerns promptly

(foster) Realistic hope



- Encourage realistic hope
- Transfer hope towards the obtainable
- Be honest without being blunt
- Explore and facilitate realistic goals and wishes



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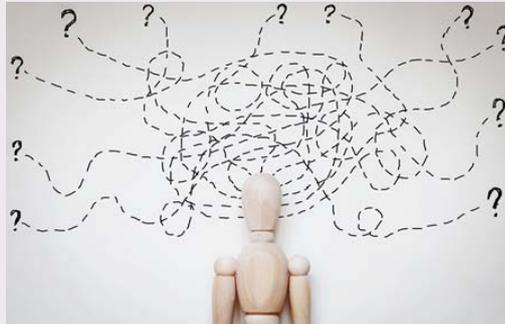
Points to prompt discussion

- Be realistic in answering questions, don't offer false hope
- Do not promise anything you can not deliver – fidelity is vital for building trust and fostering hope
- Outcome statistics are good to have at hand if resident or SDM wishes to know about CPR /life sustaining treatments and benefits verses burden in elderly

Encourage questions



- State from the outset that you welcome questions
- Allow time to answer any questions throughout
- Answer questions openly and honestly
- Pick up on non-verbal communication and prompts which can lead to further conversations.



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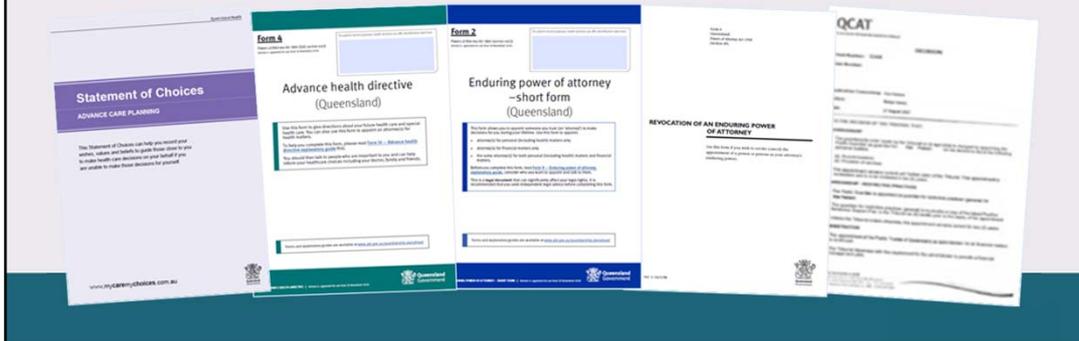
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Points to prompt discussion

- Encourage questions and allow for subsequent discussions if questions evolve later out of today's conversation
- May be a series of ACP conversations before any documents are completed
- If unable to answer questions don't be afraid to admit you're not sure, but will find out and get back to them, or GP may be more appropriate to ask at the next visit.

Document

- Document a summary of ACP discussions in your resident's clinical record
- Ideally use Queensland ACP standardised forms
- Ensure ready access of documents by all relevant parties
- Ensure substitute decision-maker(s) have a copy.



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Points to prompt discussion

- New concepts may not be immediately or fully understood. We need to find the words that most express the meaning for each resident/family
- Ideally will include completion of ACP documents
- Ensure passing on of important information
- What are facilities process of alert to completion of ACP docs and dissemination?

“Don’t worry if you forget any of this information as there is a handout for you!”

Refer to explanatory guides and tips sheets in *Section 4: Guides to completing ACP documents in the Guide*.

Activity 2: Starting the good conversation



- Each participant locates the Activity 2: *Video Worksheet*
- Play Video *Starting a conversation with patients*
- Each participant completes the worksheet as they watch the video
- Brief large group discussion
- Use worksheet as future resource.



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Handout:

Ask participants to retrieve the *Activity 2: Video Worksheet* (located in *Section 2: Workshop activity worksheets in the Guide*)

Work individually to complete the worksheet while the video is being played (video is on Slide 17)

Timing:

10 mins for group discussion

(You might need to keep a close eye on the timing here)



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- Click on the 'play' symbol to start the video (video is embedded in this powerpoint)
- **Video:** *Starting a conversation with patients*
Duration: 2:07

Breathe & reflect



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Instruction:

1. “We know that the most effective way of learning as an adult is to consider what you have just heard or experienced and make sense of it in regard to your own practice”
2. So....close your eyes and take a deep cleansing breath”

Personal reflection



Consider the following questions:

- How do you feel about having ACP conversations with residents and families?
- Why do you think you feel this way?
- How does this knowledge about yourself help you improve your practice?

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Rules are:

- Start with complete silence while you have the opportunity to do some deep thinking.
- After 3 mins if you wish to – please share these reflections with your partner
- Offer them the opportunity to share to the larger group anything surprising about what you said or what you heard.

Starting the good conversation



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Activity 3: Starting the good conversation in *your* facility



- Divide into 4 groups
- Each group considers ONE question on the handout:
Activity 3 – Starting the good conversation in your facility
- Small group discussion
- Large group reporting



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Handout:

Ask participants to locate the handout *Activity 3: Starting the good conversation in your facility* (located in *Section 2: Workshop activity worksheets in the Guide*)

Break into 4 groups

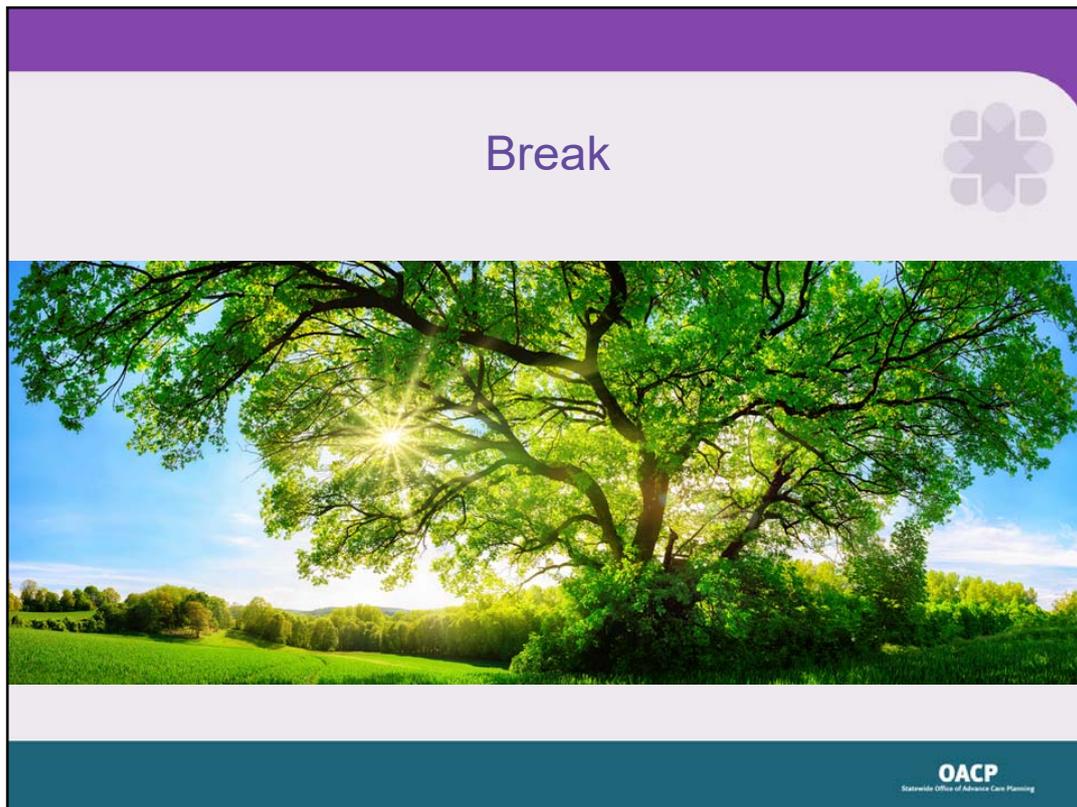
Each group chooses ONE question and brainstorms the answers
One person from each group presents answers back to larger group

Timing:

10 mins for small group discussion

5 mins per group to feed back to larger group.

(You might need to keep a close eye on the timing here)



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Take the Statement of Choices (SoC) and Auditing of SoC Documents (located in *Section 2: Workshop ACP document* and *Section 2: Workshop auditing of ACP document in the Guide*) to your break because when we get back, we are going to have a quiz!

And all the answers for the quiz are on the SoC and Auditing documents.

Remind the group of exactly the time you expect them back after the break.

Activity 4: Quiz!



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The purpose of this exercise is to examine more closely one of the ACP documents used in Queensland, i.e. the Statement of Choices (SoC); and to put its use, and that of other ACP documents, into context regarding health care decision making for a person who can no longer decide for themselves.

Preparation: familiarise yourself with the SoC (including the outer cover sheet) and the Auditing document (located in *Section 2: Workshop ACP document* and *Section 2: Workshop auditing of ACP document in the Guide*).

The group divides into evenly sized groups.

Handout:

Activity: 4 the Quiz answer sheet (located in *Section 2: Workshop activity worksheets in the Guide*)

Groups to swap answer sheets to mark.

Timing:

Approx. 1 minute per slide (slides 24-33)

Discuss any disparity, reinforce consensus
Chocolate frogs or socks for winning team?

Question 1



What are the four steps of advance care planning?

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- Ask questions clearly
- Move on after one minute
- Prompt (if you see participants struggling): answer may be on *cover* of SoC document

Question 2



Where does the Statement of Choices sit on the hierarchy of substitute decision making?

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- This question is designed to promote review of, and discussion about, the substitute decision-making hierarchy.
- At this point, if you think it useful, you may ask someone in the audience to list the substitute decision-making hierarchy

Question 3



Which advance care planning documents require witnessing by a qualified witness like a Justice of the Peace?

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- If you think it useful, await responses to this question

Question 4



Choose *ONE* of the following answers

The Statement of Choices document:

- a) Is another name for Advance Health Directive
- b) Is legally-binding and cannot be refuted at time of decision making
- c) Is not legally-binding but can inform doctors and substitute decision-makers about what is important to the resident
- d) Is only recognised under Queensland law.

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- If you think it useful, await responses to this question

Question 5



The law assumes every adult has capacity to make their own decisions (unless it has been proven otherwise).

Write down two important points about decision-making capacity regarding health care.

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- If you think it useful, await responses to this question
- It may be useful to review the definition of capacity written in the SoC

Question 6



In which health care environments do ACP documents apply?

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- If you think it useful, await responses to this question

Question 7



For residents whose health care decisions are covered under The Public Guardian, there is no value in completing a Statement of Choices.

True or False?

Justify your answer

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- Encourage discussion concerning this statement or await responses

Question 8



Who keeps the original ACP document(s)?

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- If you think it useful, await responses to this question

Question 9



What are the six essential elements required by the Statewide Office of Advance Care Planning to upload the Statement of Choices to The Viewer?

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- If you think it useful, encourage responses
- It may be useful to repeat the six essential elements

Question 10



Are Queensland ACP documents valid in other states of Australia?

Justify your answer

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After last slide of Quiz questions (slide 33), groups swap answer sheets to mark each other's work. (see instructions on *Activity: 4 the Quiz* answer sheet)

If you think it useful, the group may wish to further discuss some of the answers

Breathe & reflect



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Guided breathing exercise 1 min

Having the good conversation



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Activity 5: Having the good conversation



- Divide into groups of 3
- Instructions and case study on the handout:
Activity 5
Having the good conversation



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Handout:

Activity 5: Having the good conversation (located in *Section 2: Workshop activity worksheets in the Guide*)

Facilitator: hand out the three separate roles in the triad: Patient Daisy, Daughter Janine, and Nurse – self.

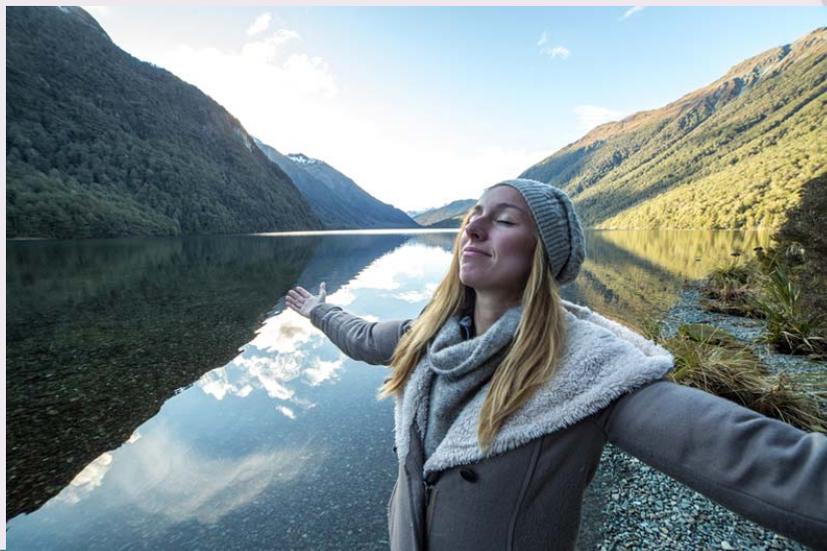
Each character to absorb role and NOT to share information with the other two in the triad

Facilitated wrap-up guiding notes

- How did you feel as the ACP Champion?
- How did you feel being Daisy?
- How did you feel being Janine?

- What do you think the other members did well to enhance the conversation?
- What have you learned that you can incorporate into your own practice?
- What were some of the challenges and barriers that you faced?
- What strategies might you be able to implement to address these challenges?

Breathe & reflect



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Close your eyes and take a deep cleansing breath...

Write down any conviction that springs to mind.

In conclusion



- You don't have to know all the answers
- There are guidelines to follow, but there is no formula
- Get to know the resident, family and/or SDM(s) to understand what their needs are
- The discussions are ongoing – start early and revisit regularly
- Share and document conversations accurately.

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- Simply read the content of the slide



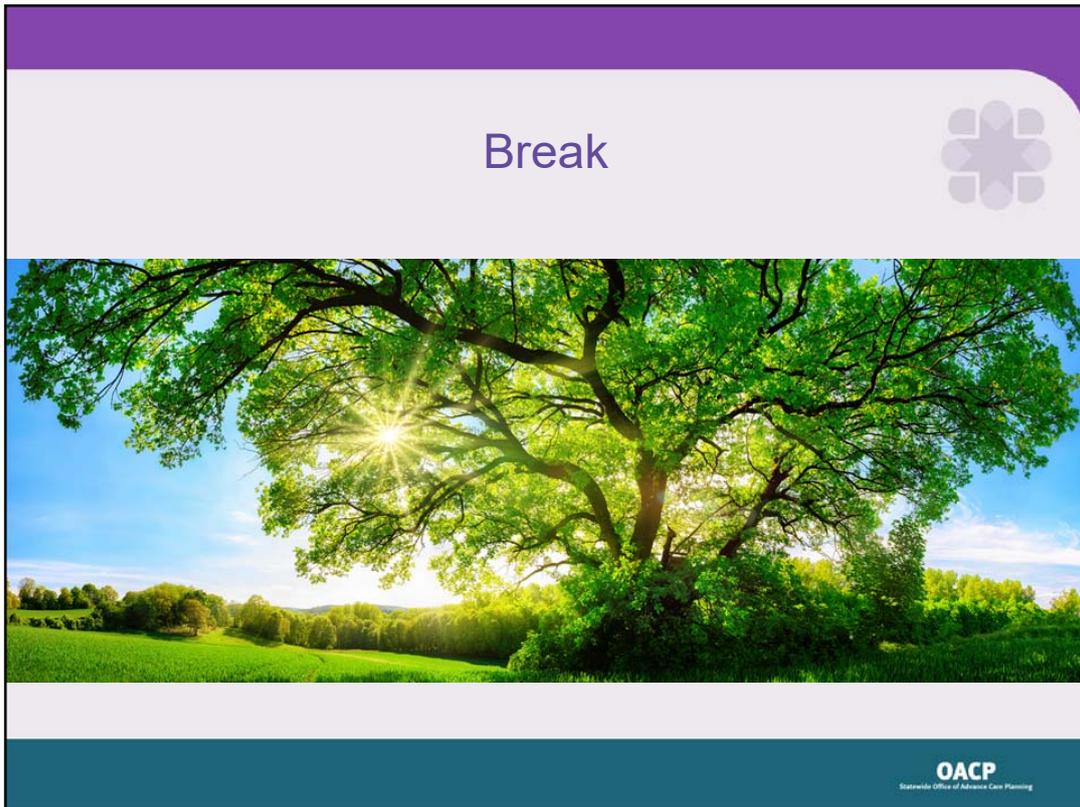
“The one who can be silent with us in a moment of despair or confusion,
who can stay with us in an hour of grief,
who can tolerate not knowing, not curing, not healing,
and face with us the reality of our powerlessness –
that is the one who cares.”

Henri Nouwen (1932-1996)

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- Could read contents of the slide



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- Time for a well earned lunch

Future good conversations



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- Welcome the audience back

ACP champions – your next steps



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Keep this slide up and summarize what they have achieved so far...

- Online module
- Workshop
- Peer support session
- Conversations with residents

What now for you and the residents of your facility?



Consider personal, professional and administrative ways to ensure equity and sustainability of ACP processes in your facility



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Brainstorm on how to ensure all residents in your facility receive the support they require to make their future health care wishes known and accessible when and where health care decisions are made.

Peer support



- You are not alone!
- Learning from peers may improve clinical decision-making capacity and communication skills
- Peer support helps individuals in knowing where to find information to get the answers
- Peer support may help ACP champions to develop, in conjunction with their managers, ACP processes within their facilities
- Sharing expertise with other ACP champions may empower both the people giving and receiving the information.

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- Encourage short discussions on these points

Over to you! Conversations with your residents



- You initiate ACP discussions with your residents and their families and/or SDM(s)
- Remember you now have many resources and tools to support and guide your ACP discussions. These include:
 - Queensland specific ACP documents
 - The Guide for Health Professionals completing the Statement of Choices
 - Tips sheets
 - The '*Tips for holding the good conversation handout*'
 - Activity 2 Video worksheet
 - Steps for completed ACP document to be uploaded to The Viewer

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- Reiterate that now facility staff are ready to start ACP discussions
- The resources referenced in the slide are located in *Section 4: Resources in the Guide*, and Activity 2 worksheet is in *Section 2: ACP Education resources*.

Concluding the good conversation



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- Explain that it can be useful to complete an ACP discussion by inviting further discussion at a later time

Helpful phrases to close a conversation



- Before we finish our conversation today, are there any questions you have for me?
- We have achieved a great deal today (list achievements). You may have more questions for me after you have had more time to think about our conversation. Please contact me ...to discuss.
- We have recorded your choices as they stand today. If anything changes for you in the future, do not hesitate...
- Is there anything left unsaid about your advance care plan today?



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- Here are some phrases to use at the close of an ACP conversation

A few thoughts on sustainability



- Provide ACP information on admission and review regularly
- Education led by you!
- Network with ACP champions in your facility
- Promotion of ACP through newsletter, posters, resident meetings.



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- Finally a few thoughts on sustainability – read dot points
- Ask if audience has any other ideas

Conclusion



Now you know how to:

- Initiate and undertake ACP discussions with residents, families and/or SDM(s)
- Train other staff about ACP and its benefits for residents in RACFs
- Champion ACP within your current place of practice.

Go forth and change your world!

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We hope that you have enjoyed this education workshop.

Thank you for your attendance.

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Workshop activity worksheets

- Activity 2: Video worksheet
(slides 16-17)
- Activity 3: Starting the good conversation
(slide 21)
- Activity 4: Quiz!
(slides 23-33)
- Activity 5: Having the good conversation
(slide 36)

Activity 2: Video Worksheet (slides 16-17)



Instructions

- Work individually with Activity 2 video worksheet
- Participants watch the Video: *Starting a conversation with patients* and complete worksheet as it relates to your workplace
- Group discussion to follow video
- Completed worksheet becomes a future resource

Video Content	Notes
1. A good time to start an ACP conversation with your residents	
2. The best way to start to introduce ACP to your residents	
3. Some tips for starting the conversation	(i) (ii) (iii)
4. Some questions to ask to start the conversation	(i) (ii) (iii)
5. Other things to consider	(i) (ii) (iii)

Activity 3:

Starting the good conversation (slide 21)

Instructions

- Participants are to divide into 4 groups
- Each group will be given ONE of the questions below
- Write down key points on butchers' paper or similar
- A nominated member from each small group is to present the key points to the larger group
- Timing: 10 minutes plus **5 mins per group** for feedback to the whole group.

Questions

1. What are the **challenges** to the good ACP conversation?
2. What are some **triggers** that may indicate to you the resident is ready to start the ACP conversation?
3. What are some **phrases** that would help start the ACP conversation?
4. What impact may **life experiences** (the resident's *and* yours) have on ACP conversations?

Activity 4: Quiz! (slides 23-33)

Team Name: _____

Instructions

- Evenly sized groups (3 heads are better than one)
- Use the documents *Statement of Choices* and the *Auditing of Statement of Choices Documents* for reference
- Write answers to questions from the power point quiz onto this answer sheet
- Write team name at the top
- Swap your answer sheet with a neighbouring team for marking
- Return the sheet
- Group discussion

Q1	
Q2	
Q3	
Q4	
Q5	

Q6	
Q7	
Q8	
Q9	
Q10	

Activity 4: Quiz! (slides 23-33)

Team Name: _____

Instructions

- Evenly sized groups (3 heads are better than one)
- Use the documents *Statement of Choices* and the *Auditing of Statement of Choices Documents* for reference
- Write answers to questions from the power point quiz onto this answer sheet
- Write team name at the top
- Swap your answer sheet with a neighbouring team for marking
- Return the sheet
- Group discussion

Q1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discuss -with your doctor about your current health conditions and how they may affect you – with your family about values, beliefs, and health care preferences 2. Record – your wishes in an ACP document – your substitute decision maker’s (SDM) details 3. Share – copies of your ACP documents with SDM, family and health care providers via OACP – the resident may wish to upload their ACP documents to their myHealth Record 4. Review
Q2	<p>SoC is not strictly on the hierarchy of substitute decision-making. SoC supports decision makers at every level to make decisions guided by the values, beliefs and wishes of the resident at the time he/she cannot express these themselves.</p>
Q3	<p>Advance Health Directive</p> <p>Enduring Power of Attorney – short and long forms</p>
Q4	<p>(C)</p> <p>The SoC is not a legally-binding document but can inform doctors and substitute decision-makers to make decisions in accordance with the persons values, beliefs and wishes.</p>
Q5	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Capacity refers to a resident’s ability to make a health care decision about a particular matter at a particular time 2. It is made freely and voluntarily 3. The resident must demonstrate understanding of nature and effect of decision 4. The resident must be able to communicate the decision in some way. <p>Note: people with impaired capacity have the right to the culturally safe support they require in order they can participate in decision making to their fullest potential.</p>

Q6	<p>In all health settings in Queensland including hospital, community health, General Practice, RACFs – wherever health care decisions are made for a person who can no longer decide for themselves.</p>
Q7	<p>False</p> <p>The Public Guardian has a responsibility to gather all relevant information about a resident to ensure the best decision possible is made in accordance with the resident's values, beliefs and wishes regarding health care outcomes. The Statement of Choices (particularly Form A) is a rich source of this information.</p>
Q8	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. AHD, EPOA and SoC Form A – the resident themselves or a nominated proxy (family/RACF files) in accordance with resident's wishes. 2. SoC Form B – the named person completing the SoC Form B who ideally is the EPOA
Q9	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Completion of personal details (or addition of Resident Identification label) 2. Information about health and medical conditions 3. Guidance to the health team / substitute decision-makers about preferences regarding life-prolonging treatments 4. Signature and date of resident (Form A), Substitute decision-maker (Form B) 5. Substitute decision-makers contact information 6. Signed and dated <i>Doctor's review</i>
Q10	<p>AHD and EPOA are legally binding documents in QLD however they are not necessarily recognised in other jurisdictions. Recognition of these documents will depend on legislation in different states.</p> <p>SoC is not a legally-binding document, it does not need to conform with different jurisdictions; however as it is a Queensland Health form, it may not be so readily recognised in other states and there is no system within other states' health services allowing automatic access to the forms, so the physical form will need to be produced at the time of decision making.</p>

Activity 5: Having the good conversation (slide 36)

Instructions

- Participants are to divide into groups of 3.
- Use the Statement of Choices (SoC) to guide the ACP discussion.
- Hold onto the values, beliefs, wishes of your character as you enter into the role play.

Scenario: *Resident – ‘Daisy’*

Your demographics

- 71 years old
- retired teachers' aide, know you're getting *forgetful*
- your husband Frank died in the Emergency Department 33 years ago after being admitted with a bleed from gastric cancer
- your only son Max drowned in the ocean later that same year, aged 12
- your daughter Janine is very supportive.

Your values

- close relationship with Janine and her son, Jimmy
- pride yourself that you made a difference in your life's work
- proud of your ability to manage as a single parent.

Your beliefs

- God abandoned you when your husband and son died only a few months apart
- you are now abandoning your daughter and grandson as you weaken
- on balance you are still a good person and will go to Heaven.

Your wishes

- to die peacefully
- to have time to say Goodbye
- to have Janine with you, but not Jimmy
- to be reunited in Heaven with Frank and Max
- to be cremated and your ashes joined with Frank's ashes
- to have Janine scatter both your ashes in the ocean where Max died.

Activity 5:

Having the good conversation (slide 36)

Instructions

- Participants are to divide into groups of 3
- Use the Statement of Choices (SoC) to guide the ACP discussion
- Hold onto the values, beliefs, wishes of your character as you enter into the role play
- You have 20 minutes before we open up for group discussion.

Scenario: *Carer/Substitute Decision Maker – ‘Janine’ (daughter)*

Your demographics

- 41 years old
- hospital social worker (nearby)
- you have a son, Jimmy, aged 10
- you are your mum’s legally appointed attorney for health and financial matters
- you went through an acrimonious divorce last year.

Your values

- your role as mother to your son Jimmy
- your identity as a giver as shown in your life’s work
- your network of good friends who have supported you through tough times

Your beliefs

- God is angry with you and punishing you
- you are a good daughter who should be able to care for mum at home
- mum is ‘giving up’ before her time
- mum should have all treatments available when the time comes

Your wishes

- to be a strong advocate
- to do the right thing by mum
- to be ‘enough’ for the task of caring for dying mum
- to be forgiven for being less than a perfect daughter

Activity 5:

Having the good conversation (slide 36)

Instructions

- Participants are to divide into groups of 3.
- Use the Statement of Choices (SoC) to guide the ACP discussion.
- Hold onto the values, beliefs, wishes of your character as you enter into the role play
- You have 20 minutes before we open up for group discussion.

Scenario: *Nurse – the ACP Champion (use your own name)*

Daisy has recently been admitted to your facility. She has early stage dementia and multiple co-morbidities. She is accompanied by her daughter Janine who had been her carer at home for 2 years prior to coming into your facility three weeks ago.

You have invited Daisy and Janine to this meeting with the purpose of discussing ACP and Daisy's goals of care. Remember, you have several tools to help guide your conversation. These include:

- The Statement of Choices (*Section 2 of the Guide*)
- The Guide for Health Professionals completing the SoC (*Section 4 of the Guide*)
- Tips sheets for completing form A and form B (*Section 4 of the Guide*)
- The 'Tips for holding the good conversation' handout (*Section 4 of the Guide*)
- Activity 2 Video worksheet (*Section 2 of the Guide*)

Workshop ACP document

- Statement of Choices (SoC)

Statement of Choices

ADVANCE CARE PLANNING

This Statement of Choices can help you record your wishes, values and beliefs to guide those close to you to make health care decisions on your behalf if you are unable to make those decisions for yourself.

Advance Care Planning

*If you were suddenly injured or became seriously ill,
who would know your choices about the health care you would want?*

What is advance care planning?

Advance care planning (ACP) means thinking about and making choices now to guide your future health care. It is a way of letting others know what is important to you if you could not communicate for yourself. It is a voluntary process which gives you the opportunity to discuss your beliefs and values, and helps give you peace of mind that you can receive the right care, at the right time, in the right place.

Why plan ahead?

- To have your wishes known to help guide the treatment and care you receive in the future
- To let your loved ones know what you would want if they need to make difficult decisions on your behalf
- To allow your choices about health care to be considered before a crisis occurs.

When will your advance care plan be used?

Your advance care plan may only be used if you are unable to make or communicate your own health care decisions.

What if my family member or someone I care for is currently unable to make health care decisions and they do not have an advance care plan?

A Statement of Choices can still be considered for that person. The form should be based on that person's best interests, their expressed wishes and the views of their significant others. It should take into account the benefits and burdens of the person's illness and medical treatment.

Does an advance care plan apply across all health care environments?

Yes, you can give a copy of your advance care planning document(s) to all health care services to allow your wishes to be known and considered. This includes hospitals, community health centres, your GP and any other health facilities you may access.

Steps of advance care planning



Step
1

Discuss with your usual doctor your health conditions and how they may affect you both now and in the future. Discuss with your family your values, beliefs and preferences for future health care.



Step
2

Record your wishes in an ACP document such as the Statement of Choices. You should also record who you may have already appointed to be your substitute decision-maker.



Step
3

Share copies of ACP documents with your family, GP and hospitals. Also send copies to the Office of Advance Care Planning (see page 4 Form A & B) to share your choices with health care providers.



Step
4

Review your preferences and values whenever there are changes in your health or life circumstances and update your ACP document(s) accordingly.

Think now. Plan sooner. Peace of mind later.

Statement of Choices

The Statement of Choices is a values-based document that records a person's wishes and choices for their health care into the future. Although the Statement of Choices is not included in Queensland legislation, the content can still have guiding effect by assisting substitute decision-makers and clinicians if a person is unable to communicate their choices.

Form A is used by people who **can** make health care decisions for themselves.

Form B is used for people who **cannot** make health care decisions on their own.

Legally-binding ACP documents in Queensland

If you have strong wishes about your future health care you should consider completing these legally-binding documents.

Advance Health Directive (AHD)

This is a legally-binding document that states a person's instructions for health care in specific circumstances. It must be completed with a doctor and signed in front of a qualified witness. It can also be used to appoint your substitute decision-maker for health decisions.

Enduring Power of Attorney (EPOA)

This is a legally-binding document that can appoint one or more person(s) to make personal, health and/or financial decisions on your behalf. It must be signed in front of a qualified witness and you can choose how the responsibility of decision-making is shared.

You can obtain a copy of these documents at: www.mycaremychoices.com.au

Order of substitute decision-making

In Queensland, when a person is unable to make or communicate their own health care decisions, there is an order of priority for substitute decision-making:

- 1. Advance Health Directive** A legally-binding document used to give consent and direct medical management in specific health circumstances.
- 2. Tribunal-appointed guardian** A guardian appointed by the Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal (QCAT) to make health care decisions on behalf of a person.
- 3. Attorney appointed under an AHD/EPOA** A person (known as an "attorney") appointed for personal/health decisions in an Advance Health Directive or Enduring Power of Attorney document.
- 4. Statutory health attorney** A relevant person who has authority to make health care decisions in the absence of the above decision-makers. See glossary for details.

Statement of Choices may help guide these decision-makers

Contact information



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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Capacity

Capacity refers to a person's ability to make a specific decision in a particular area of their life. A person has capacity for health care decisions when they can understand the information provided by a doctor about their health and treatment options and are able to make a decision regarding their care. The person also needs to be able to communicate their decision in some way and the decision must also be made of the person's own free will.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)

Cardiopulmonary resuscitation includes emergency measures to keep the heart pumping (by compressing the chest or using electrical stimulation) and artificial ventilation (mouth-to-mouth or ventilator) when a person's breathing and heart have stopped. It is designed to maintain blood circulation whilst waiting for treatment to possibly start the heart beating again on its own. The success of CPR depends on a person's overall medical condition. On average, less than one in four patients who have CPR in hospital survive to be discharged home.^{1,2}

Good Medical Practice

Good medical practice requires the doctor responsible for a person's care to adhere to the accepted medical standards, practices and procedures of the medical profession in Australia. All treatment decisions, including those to withhold or withdraw life-sustaining treatment, must be based on reliable clinical evidence and evidence-based practice as well as ethical standards. Good medical practice also requires respecting adults' wishes to the greatest extent possible.

Life Prolonging Treatment

Sometimes after injury or a long illness, the main organs of the body no longer work properly without support. If this is permanent, ongoing treatments will be needed to stop a person from dying. These treatments are collectively referred to as life prolonging and can include medical care, procedures or interventions which focus on extending biological life without necessarily considering quality of life. Certain life prolonging treatments acceptable to one person may not be acceptable to another.

Office of the Public Guardian

The Office of the Public Guardian is an independent statutory body that protects the rights and interests of vulnerable Queenslanders, including adults with impaired capacity to make their own decisions.

Organ or Tissue Donation

Donation involves removing organs and tissues from someone who has died (a donor) and transplanting them into a recipient who is on a waiting list. Organs that can be transplanted include the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, intestine and pancreas. Tissues that can be transplanted include heart valves, bone, skin and eye tissue. Organ and tissue donation can save and significantly improve the lives of many people who are sick or dying. For additional information about donation and to register your wishes visit: www.donatelife.org.au

Statutory Health Attorney

A statutory health attorney is someone with automatic authority to make health care decisions for a person if they become unable to do so because of illness or incapacity. This attorney is not formally appointed; they act in this role only when the need arises. The statutory health attorney is the first available, culturally appropriate adult from the following list, in order: a spouse or de facto partner in a close and continuing relationship; an adult who cares for the person but is not employed to be their carer; or a close friend or relative who is not the person's employed carer. The Public Guardian may, under certain circumstances, become the statutory health attorney of last resort.

Substitute Decision-maker

Substitute decision-maker is a general term used to describe someone who has legal power to make decisions on behalf of an adult when that person is no longer able to make their own decisions. This may be: a person appointed in an Enduring Power of Attorney or Advance Health Directive; a tribunal-appointed guardian or a statutory health attorney.

For more information and resources visit: www.mycaremychoices.com.au

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Statement of Choices
(FORM A)

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URN:

Family Name:

Given Names:

Address:

Date of Birth:

Sex: M F I

Statement of Choices

FORM A

For persons **with** decision-making capacity.

A. My Details

(If using a patient label please write "as above")

Given Names:

Family Name:

Preferred Name: Phone:

Address:

DOB: Sex: M F I Medicare No:

I have the following:

- 1. Advance Health Directive (AHD) Yes No
- 2. Tribunal-appointed guardian Yes No
- 3. Enduring Power of Attorney (EPOA) (personal/health matters) Yes No

If you have a legally appointed substitute decision-maker as per 1, 2 or 3 you should fill in their details below.
If you have not appointed anyone you can still include the details of people you wish to be involved in discussions about your health care decisions in the future.

My Contacts

Name:

Phone: Relationship:

I have appointed this person as a decision-maker in my EPOA or AHD: Yes No

Name:

Phone: Relationship:

I have appointed this person as a decision-maker in my EPOA or AHD: Yes No

Name:

Phone: Relationship:

I have appointed this person as a decision-maker in my EPOA or AHD: Yes No

If there are more than 3 substitute decision-makers please attach details on a separate sheet and tick this box:

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Statement of Choices
(FORM A)

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URN:

Family Name:

Given Names:

Address:

Date of Birth:

Sex: M F I

My name:

B. Personal Values

Describe what you value or enjoy most in your life:

Think about what interests you or gives your life meaning.

Consider what you would like known about you when health care decisions are being made:

Think about your past experiences, wishes and beliefs or what is important to you.

Describe the health outcomes that you would find unacceptable:

*Think about what you would **not** want, including situations you consider may involve severe disability.*

Describe what would be important or comforting to you when you are nearing death:

Think about your personal preferences, special traditions or spiritual support.

Indicate the place where you would prefer to die: (e.g. home, hospital, nursing home)

Consider how you would want to be cared for after you die:

Think about your spiritual, religious and cultural practices; organ and tissue donation; and any other wishes that you want noted.

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Advance Care Planning
**Statement of Choices
(FORM A)**

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URN:
Family Name:
Given Names:
Address:
Date of Birth: Sex: M F I

My name:

C. Medical Conditions

My current medical conditions include:

The health impacts of the conditions listed above have been explained to me and I understand them:
 Yes No *If you have answered 'No' please consult a doctor before continuing with this form.*

Medical and emergency preferences

Please remember, doctors need to speak with the relevant substitute decision-maker(s) at the time a decision is made. You will always receive relevant care to relieve pain and suffering.

Life Prolonging Treatments

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) *(tick appropriate box)*

- I would wish CPR attempted if it is consistent with good medical practice **OR**
- I would NOT wish CPR attempted under any circumstances **OR**
- Other:

Other Life Prolonging Treatments *(tick appropriate box)*

e.g. kidney machine (dialysis), feeding tube, breathing machine (ventilator)

- I would wish for other life prolonging treatments if consistent with good medical practice **OR**
- I would NOT wish for other life prolonging treatments under any circumstances **OR**
- Other:

Medical Treatments

If considered to be medically beneficial,	I would wish for:	I would NOT wish for:	undecided / no preference:
A major operation <i>(e.g. under general anaesthetic)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Intravenous (IV) fluids	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Intravenous (IV) antibiotics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other intravenous (IV) drugs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A blood transfusion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other:

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Advance Care Planning - Statement of Choices (FORM A)

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**Statement of Choices
(FORM A)**

(Affix patient identification label here)

URN:

Family Name:

Given Names:

Address:

Date of Birth:

Sex: M F I

My name:

Statement of Choices

This document remains in place until it is updated or withdrawn.

You may indicate a time period when you want to review this document (*optional*): 6 monthly 12 monthly Other:**My Understanding**

I have had this document explained to me and I understand its importance and purpose. This is my true record on this date and I request that my wishes, values and beliefs are respected. I understand that:

- **This document may only be used if I am unable to make or communicate decisions for myself.**
- My substitute decision-maker(s) and doctors may only use this document as a guide when making decisions regarding my medical treatment in the future.
- I may complete all or part of this document and that I can change my mind regarding these choices at any time.
- It is important for me to discuss my wishes with my usual doctor, my family and my substitute decision-maker(s).
- Doctors should only provide treatment that is consistent with good medical practice.
- Regardless of any decisions about cardiopulmonary resuscitation and life prolonging treatments, I will continue to receive all other relevant care, including care to relieve pain and alleviate suffering.

I consent to share the information on this form with persons/services relevant to my health as per the privacy policy and to non-identifiable information being used for quality improvement/research purposes as per the information sheet. The privacy policy and information sheet are available at: www.mycaremychoices.com.au

Signature:

Date:

Usual Doctor's Statement

As a registered medical practitioner, I believe that the person completing this form has the decision-making capacity necessary to complete this Statement of Choices. I am not an appointed attorney in this person's Enduring Power of Attorney or Advance Health Directive, a relation or a beneficiary under this person's will.

Doctor's Name:

Doctor's Signature:

Date:

Hospital or
Practice StampThis form was completed with the help of a qualified interpreter or cultural/religious liaison person: Yes N/A**IMPORTANT:****To allow this document to be available to health care providers,
please send a copy of all four (4) pages of FORM A to:****Office of Advance Care Planning**

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Email: acp@health.qld.gov.au

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(FORM B)

(Affix patient identification label here)

URN:

Family Name:

Given Names:

Address:

Date of Birth:

Sex: M F I

Statement of Choices

FORM B

For persons **without** decision-making capacity **OR** requiring supported decision-making.

A. Person's Details

Details of the person for whom this form applies: (If using a patient label please write "as above")

Given Names:

Family Name: Preferred Name:

Address:

DOB: Sex: M F I Medicare No:

The person has the following:

- 1. Advance Health Directive (AHD) Yes No
- 2. Tribunal-appointed guardian Yes No
- 3. Enduring Power of Attorney (EPOA) (personal/health matters) Yes No

If a decision-maker for personal/health matters has been legally appointed as per 1, 2 or 3 they should be the one completing this document. If no legal decision-maker has been appointed you can still write the values and wishes of the person to help guide future health care decisions.

Details of Person Completing

Your details, as the person assisting to complete this form:

Name:

Address:

Phone: Relationship:

I have been legally appointed as a decision-maker in an AHD, EPOA or by a tribunal: Yes No

Other Contacts

Name: Phone:

Relationship: This person is appointed in an EPOA or AHD: Yes No

Name: Phone:

Relationship: This person is appointed in an EPOA or AHD: Yes No

If there are more than 3 substitute decision-makers please attach details on a separate sheet and tick this box:

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Statement of Choices
(FORM B)

(Affix patient identification label here)

URN:
 Family Name:
 Given Names:
 Address:
 Date of Birth: Sex: M F I

Name of the person for whom this form applies:

B. Personal Values

Describe what the person values or enjoys most in their life:
Think about what interests them or gives their life meaning.

Consider what the person would like known about them when health care decisions are being made:
Think about their past experiences, wishes and beliefs or what is important to them.

Describe the health outcomes the person would find unacceptable:
*Think about what they would **not** want, including situations which may involve severe disability for them.*

Describe what would be important or comforting to the person when they are nearing death:
Think about their personal preferences, special traditions or spiritual support.

The place where the person would prefer to die: (e.g. home, hospital, nursing home)

Consider how the person would want to be cared for after they die:
Think about their spiritual, religious and cultural practices; organ and tissue donation; and any other wishes that they would want noted.

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**Statement of Choices
(FORM B)**

(Affix patient identification label here)

URN:
Family Name:
Given Names:
Address:
Date of Birth: Sex: M F I

Name of the person **for whom this form applies:**

C. Medical Conditions

The person's current medical conditions include:

The health impacts of the conditions listed above have been explained to me and I understand them:
 Yes No *If you have answered 'No' please consult a doctor before continuing with this form.*

Medical and emergency preferences

Please remember, doctors need to speak with the relevant substitute decision-maker(s) at the time a decision is made. The person will always receive relevant care to relieve pain and suffering.

Life Prolonging Treatments

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) *(tick appropriate box)*

- The person **would wish** CPR attempted if it is consistent with good medical practice **OR**
- The person **would NOT wish** CPR attempted under any circumstances **OR**

Other:

Other Life Prolonging Treatments *(tick appropriate box)*

e.g. kidney machine (dialysis), feeding tube, breathing machine (ventilator)

- The person **would wish** for other life prolonging treatments if consistent with good medical practice **OR**
- The person **would NOT wish** for other life prolonging treatments under any circumstances **OR**

Other:

Medical Treatments

If considered to be medically beneficial,	the person would wish for:	the person would NOT wish for:	undecided / no preference:
A major operation <i>(e.g. under general anaesthetic)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Intravenous (IV) fluids	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Intravenous (IV) antibiotics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other intravenous (IV) drugs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A blood transfusion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other:

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Advance Care Planning - Statement of Choices (FORM B)



QUEENSLAND HEALTH
Advance Care Planning
Statement of Choices
(FORM B)

(Affix patient identification label here)

URN:
Family Name:
Given Names:
Address:
Date of Birth: Sex: M F I

Name of the person for whom this form applies:

Statement of Choices

This document remains in place until it is updated or withdrawn.
You may indicate a time period when you want to review this document (optional):

6 monthly 12 monthly Other:

Understanding of the Document

I understand the person for whom this form applies does not have capacity to make independent health care decisions or requires support to make health care decisions. I give my views based on what I believe is in their best interests. I am taking into account their wishes as they are known to me and wishes reported to their significant others and the benefits and burdens of health care treatment as I understand them. I understand the views given in this document are not legally binding but can still have guiding effect.

I request the choices recorded in this document be taken into account by health professionals as part of their application of good medical practice. I also understand that regardless of the choices expressed here the person will continue to receive all relevant care including care to relieve pain and alleviate suffering.

I consent to share the information on this form with persons/services relevant to the health of the person named as per the privacy policy and to non-identifiable information being used for quality improvement/research purposes as per the information sheet. The privacy policy and information sheet are available at: www.mycaremychoices.com.au

Your Name:

Your Signature: Date:

Usual Doctor's Statement

As a registered medical practitioner, I believe that the person for whom this form applies currently does not have the decision-making capacity necessary to complete a Statement of Choices on their own. I also believe that the person completing this form understands the importance and implications of this document and is acting in the best interests of the person for whom this form applies. I am not an appointed attorney in the Enduring Power of Attorney document or Advance Health Directive, or a beneficiary under the will of the person for whom this form applies.

Doctor's Name:

Doctor's Signature:

Date:

Hospital or
Practice Stamp

This form was completed with the help of a qualified interpreter or cultural/religious liaison person: Yes N/A

IMPORTANT: To allow this document to be available to health care providers, please send a copy of all four (4) pages of FORM B to:



Office of Advance Care Planning

Fax: 1300 008 227
Email: acp@health.qld.gov.au
Post: PO Box 2274, Runcorn QLD 4113
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Workshop auditing of ACP document

- Auditing of Statement of Choices Documents

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The clinical audit of each Statement of Choices (SoC) document received by the Statewide Office of Advance Care Planning (ACP) is an important and systematic process which provides quality assurance of readability, ensures adequate completion, clarity of values and consistency of selected treatment preferences prior to upload to The Viewer.

Where issues are identified, the Statewide Office of ACP will contact the person who submitted the SoC.

Adequate completion of the SoC

A person may complete all or part of the SoC. Certain elements of the SoC are mandatory before the SoC can be uploaded to The Viewer (see below).

Completion of all elements maximises the SoC utility. Completion of the personal values section is highly recommended and provides important information for substitute decision makers and the medical team (who may not have previously known the individual) about the values and beliefs of the individual which may clarify decisions related to medical options.

Essential SoC elements

The minimum and mandatory elements of the SoC required to be completed prior to upload to The Viewer include:

1. personal details
2. current medical conditions
3. life prolonging treatment preferences
4. signed and dated declaration
5. substitute decision maker/s contact details
6. signed and dated Doctor's review of plan.

It is preferable that sections of the SoC that have been intentionally left blank are clearly marked to reflect this e.g. 'nil' or line drawn through.

Checking these elements before sending SoCs to the Statewide Office of ACP will support efficient processing and upload of SoCs to The Viewer.

Rationale for essential SoC elements



1. Completion of *personal details* (or the addition of a patient identification label) is required to help the Statewide Office of ACP locate existing records of this person on The Viewer, ensure the SoC is uploaded to the right person's record and provide doctors with certainty the SoC belongs to the right person.



2. Information about *health and medical conditions* indicates the person's knowledge of health at the time they completed the SoC and can inform health professional's discussion/decision making if an individual is unable to make or communicate decisions.



3. Provides guidance to the health care team/substitute decision maker/s about preferences regarding *life prolonging treatments* and informs discussion/decision making if an individual is unable to make or communicate decisions.



4. A SoC *signed and dated declaration* by an individual/substitute decision maker acknowledges their understanding as to the importance and purpose of the SoC, when it will be used, their request for wishes, beliefs and values to be respected, and consent to share information with persons/services relevant to their health.



5. *Substitute decision maker/s* information provides the health care team with contact details of the appropriate person/s to speak with if an individual is not able to make or communicate decisions.



6. A *signed and dated Doctor's review* provides confidence to the health care team that on the date signed, the person had the capacity necessary to make the SoC (Form A) or for substitute decision maker/s (Form B) that they understand the importance and implications of the SoC and are acting in the best interests of the person.

Please ensure copies of all completed SoC from acute, residential and community services in your HHS are sent to the Statewide Office of ACP.