

PERTINENT COLORADO STATUTES APPLICABLE TO CPR AND LAST REMAINS DIRECTIVES:

15-18.6-103. CPR directive forms - duties of state board of health.

(1) On or before January 1, 1993, the state board of health shall promulgate rules and protocols for the implementation of CPR directives by emergency medical service personnel. The protocols adopted by the board of health shall include uniform methods of identifying persons who have executed a CPR directive. Protocols adopted by the board of health shall include methods for rapid identification of persons who have executed a CPR directive, controlled distribution of the methods of identifying persons who have executed a CPR directive, and the information described in subsection (2) of this section. Nothing in this subsection (1) shall be construed to restrict any other manner in which a person may make a CPR directive.

(2) CPR directive protocols to be adopted by the state board shall require the following information concerning the person who is the subject of the CPR directive:

- (a) The person's name, date of birth, and sex;
- (b) The person's eye and hair color;
- (c) The person's race or ethnic background;
- (d) If applicable, the name of a hospice program in which the person is enrolled;
- (e) The name, address, and telephone number of the person's attending physician;
- (f) The person's signature or mark or, if applicable, the signature of a person authorized by this article to execute a CPR directive;
- (g) The date on which the CPR directive form was signed;
- (h) The person's directive concerning the administration of CPR, countersigned by the person's attending physician;
- (i) The person's directive in the form of a document with a written statement as provided in section 12-34-105 (1) (c), C.R.S., or a statement in substantially similar form, indicating a decision regarding tissue donation. Such a document shall be executed in accordance with the provisions of the "Uniform Anatomical Gift Act", article 34 of title 12, C.R.S. Such a written statement may be in the following form:

I hereby make an anatomical gift, to be effective upon my death, of:
A. ___ Any needed tissues
B. ___ The following tissues:
 ___ Skin
 ___ Cornea

Donor signature: _____ Bone, related tissues, and tendons

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15-19-104. Declaration of disposition of last remains.

(1) The declarant may specify, in a declaration instrument, any one or more of the following:

(a) The disposition to be made of the declarant's last remains;

(b) Who may direct the disposition of the declarant's last remains;

(c) The ceremonial arrangements to be performed after the declarant's death;

(d) Who may direct the ceremonial arrangements after the declarant's death;

(e) The rights, limitations, immunities, and other terms of third parties dealing with the declaration instrument.

(2) A third party seeking to fulfill a declarant's intent regarding disposition of last remains or ceremonial arrangements may disregard such intent if such intent is unreasonable under the circumstances.

(3) (a) The provisions of the most recent declaration instrument shall control over any other document regarding the disposition of the last remains.

(b) This article shall govern all current and prior declaration instruments.

(c) If article 54 of title 12, C.R.S., conflicts with this article, this article shall govern.

(4) This article shall apply to declaration instruments executed or exercised in Colorado and to declaration instruments signed or exercised by a person who is a resident of Colorado when such instrument is signed or exercised.

(5) A declaration instrument may be acknowledged, but lack of acknowledgment shall not render the declaration ineffective.

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