# Patient Choice at End of Life — Physician Reporting Form

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## A. PATIENT INFORMATION

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<th>PATIENT’S NAME (LAST, FIRST, M.I.)</th>
<th>DATE OF BIRTH</th>
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<td>MEDICAL DIAGNOSIS</td>
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## B. PHYSICIAN INFORMATION

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<th>NAME (LAST, FIRST, M.I.)</th>
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## C. ACTION TAKEN TO COMPLY WITH LAW

1. **FIRST ORAL REQUEST**
   - The patient made an oral request for medication to be self-administered for the purpose of hastening the patient’s death.  
   - DATE
   - Comments:

2. **SECOND ORAL REQUEST** (Must be made 15 days or more after the first oral request.)
   - Indicate compliance by checking the boxes.  
   - DATE
   - 1. Second oral request for medication to hasten death.
   - 2. Patient informed of the right to rescind the request at any time.
   - Comments:

3. **WRITTEN REQUEST**
   - The patient made a written request for medication to hasten death.  
   - DATE
   - Comments:
### 4. PHYSICIAN DETERMINATIONS

Indicate compliance by checking the boxes. (Both the attending and consulting physicians must make these determinations.)

1. Determined that the patient:
   - a) is suffering with a terminal condition;*
   - b) is capable;**
   - c) is making an informed decision;
   - d) has made a voluntary request for medication to hasten his or her death;
   - e) is at least 18 years old and a Vermont state resident.***

2. Informed the patient in person, both verbally and in writing, of all the following:
   - a) the patient’s medical diagnosis;
   - b) the patient’s prognosis, including an acknowledgement that the physician’s prediction of the patient’s life expectancy is an estimate based on the physician’s best medical judgment;
   - c) the range of treatment options appropriate for the patient and the patient’s diagnosis;
   - d) if the patient was not enrolled in hospice care, all feasible end-of-life services, including palliative care, comfort care, hospice care, and pain control;
   - e) the range of possible results, including potential risks associated with taking the medication to be prescribed; and
   - f) the probable result of taking the medication to be prescribed.

3. Referred the patient to a second physician for medical confirmation.

4. Verified that the patient did not have impaired judgment based on my evaluation or as the result of a referral of the patient to a psychiatric or psychological clinician.

### D MEDICATION PRESCRIBED AND INFORMATION PROVIDED TO PATIENT

To be prescribed no sooner than 48 hours after the last of the following:

1. Patient’s written request was signed; DATE
2. The patient’s second oral request; DATE
3. Offering the patient the opportunity to rescind the request. DATE

To the best of my knowledge, all of the requirements under the Patient Choice at End of Life Act have been met.

X PHYSICIAN’S SIGNATURE DATE

If comments in any section exceed the space provided, please use an attached page. Supplemental comments should be identified using the appropriate alphanumeric notation (e.g., C3).

* “Terminal condition” means an incurable and irreversible disease that would, within reasonable medical judgment, result in death within six months.

** “Capable” means that a patient has the ability to make and communicate health care decisions to a physician, including communication through persons familiar with the patient’s manner of communicating if those persons are available.

*** Factors demonstrating residency include, but are not limited to: 1) Possession of a Vermont driver’s license; 2) Registration to vote in Vermont; 3) Evidence that a person leases/owns property in Vermont; or 4) Filing of an Vermont tax return for the most recent tax year. Only the attending physician is required to affirm Vermont residency.

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