

# **Caregiver Plan**

Providing for your loved one's care is a major focus of your life. A lot of situations are handled as the needs arise. It can make a huge difference to all concerned to plan ahead and methodically consider what could and should happen when needs or resources change. It will be important for your loved one to participate in this planning to the extent possible.

**CURRENT PLAN:** What is happening now, and what is expected to happen in the near future.

**CRISIS PLAN:** What needs to happen when the caregiver becomes unavailable – "If something suddenly happens to me, then..." It is a road map to direct those who step in.

**LONG TERM PLAN:** For you and your loved one – "If I had my way, when things change, this is what I want to happen." This is what your loved one's care (and possibly your own) should look like in the future.

**OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** Identifies who has the authority to do what, and where the documents and other important information are located.

**MEDICATION INFORMATION:** What are the current medications and how are they to be taken. This needs to be updated as often as changes are made.

WHAT TO DO WITH THESE COMPLETED DOCUMENTS: These documents are meant to be shared. You may wish to put a copy of them with your important papers such as your Trust or Will. It is important to also give copies to those who are most likely to be notified first of your inability to care for your loved one (local family members, neighbors, power of attorney, etc.)

This Caregiver Plan is available on the Continuing Care Services web site at: http:/continuingcare-sandiego.kp.org To view or print these forms, click on Web Site Handouts and then on Caregiver Plan.



# **Current Plan**

What is happening now, and what is expected to happen in the near future.

Who is caring for your loved one? You? Someone else? Does the primary caregiver get respite (a break from caregiving) as needed? Does the person providing the respite care know what to do and who to call in case of an emergency?

By listing the people currently involved with your loved one's care, you won't have to search for a name or phone number. If a crisis occurs, anyone stepping in can immediately know what the current plan is and who to contact about it.

Reviewing this plan also helps you to look at all these different aspects. Have you considered changing who provides care, or where it is provided? Do you need to?

### PLEASE NOTE: This document is only useful if someone knows it exists and knows where to find it!

For	Medic	al Record #		
Primary Caregiver				
, .	Name		Home #	
	Work #		Mobile #	
Primary Diagnoses				
Primary Physician	Name		1-800-290-5000	
Other Physician:				
	Name		Phone	
Other Physician:	Name		Phone	
Responsible Person	(conservator, health care	e agent, spou	ise, etc.)	
Name		Relationship	Home #	
	Work#		Mobile #	
Alternate:				
Name		Relationship	Home #	
	Work#		Mobile #	

### **Respite Provided By**

	Name/Agency		Phone
	Name/Agency		Phone
In-Home Help			
	Name/Agency		Phone
	Name/Agency		Phone
Other Care (Adult Da	ay Health Care,	Etc.)	
	Name/Agency		Phone
	Name/Agency		Phone
Transportation			
	Name/Agency		Phone
	Name/Agency		Phone
Housing Alternative	□ Assisted L	.iving □ Board & Ca	are D Nursing Home/SNF
Facility Name			Phone
Address			City/State
Facility Name			Phone
Address			City/State
Facility Name			Phone
Address			City/State
Paying for the care	□ Private Pay	□ LTC Insurance □	Medi-Cal 🗆 IHSS
Name/Worker			
		Policy/Account#	Phone



# **Crisis Plan**

What needs to happen when the caregiver becomes unavailable – "If something suddenly happens to me then..." It is a road map to direct those who step in.

This plan needs to be detailed and explicit so anyone can understand and follow it. The more specific it is the better. It also needs to be easy to find for emergency personnel, a neighbor, or whoever becomes aware of the situation first. Giving a copy of the Crisis Plan to the person you have designated to take over is also a good idea.

Key questions that the Crisis Plan addresses include: **How** does one need to take care of your loved one including diet, medications, safety issues (e.g., "must have assistance with transfers," "deadbolt the front door at night")? **Who** will become responsible for making decisions? Paying bills? Providing transportation? Providing care/supervision? Is there an alternate Power of Attorney for Health Care? Other questions to be addressed include—**Where** will the money to pay for care come from? **Where** will the care be provided?

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For	Medical Record #	
Care will be provided at:		
Home with Caregiver		
Name/Agency		Phone #
		Alternate Phone #
Name/ Agency		Phone #
		Alternate Phone #
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Name/ Agency		Phone # Alternate Phone #
Housing Alternative   Assisted Livin	lg □ Board & Care	Nursing Home/SNF
Facility Name		Phone
Address		City/State

### Housing Alternative continued

Facility Name	Phone
Address	City/State
Facility Name	Dhana
Facility Name	Phone
Address	City/State
Immediate Needs	
Nutrition – Specific Diet	
Safety - including equipment needs	
Designated Alternate Decision Maker(s):	
Name	Home #
	Work #
Address	Mobile #
Name	Home #
	Work #
Address	Mobile #
Respite Provided By	
Name	Phone
Name	Phone
Please notify these people of this crisis:	
Name	Phone
Name	Phone
Name	Phone
Name	Phone



Long Term Plan

For you and your loved one – "If I had my way, when things change, this is what I want to happen." This is what your loved one's care (and possibly your own) should look like in the future.

This section is to encourage you to think about and consider the future. When you are no longer able to manage your loved one's care, then what? When keeping up your house and yard is too much, what then? What happens if both you and your loved one need assistance?

Of course, the follow-up to thinking about and creating a Long Term Plan is – "What do I need to do **now** to make this Long Term Plan a realistic one?

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For	Medical Record #		
Respite Provided By			
Name		Phone	
Name		Phone	
In-Home Help			
Name/Agency	у	Phone	
Name/Agency	у	Phone	
Adult Day Health Care			
Name		Phone	
Name		Phone	
Transportation Resources			
Name		Phone	
Name		Phone	
Name		Phone	

Housing Alternative: Assisted Living/Board & Care

Facility Name	Phone
Address	City/State
Facility Name	Phone
Address	City/State
Facility Name	Phone
Address	City/State
Nursing Home/Skilled Nursing Facility	
Facility Name	Phone
Address	City/State
Facility Name	Phone
Address	City/State
Facility Name	Phone
Address	City/State



# **Other Important Information**

Advance Health Care Directive, conservatorship, will, trust, authorizations and finances. Identifies who has the authority to do what, and where the documents and accounts are.

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For	Medical Record #		
Legal Advance Health Care Directive			
Agent		Phone	
Alternate Agent		Phone	
Location of form			
Conservatorship			
Conservator	·	Phone	
Location of form			
Will, Trust			
Executor		Phone	
Location of form			
Signed Authorization for release and/	or disclosure of medical i	nformation	
Location of form			
<b>Financial</b> Who can pay the bills? (DPOA financ	ce, Fiduciary, Lawyer)		
Name	Relationship	Home #	
Work#		Mobile #	

Where to find bills, account #'s, etc.

Case Management	□ N/A			
Name/Agency		Relationship	Phone #	
			Alternate Phone #	
Funeral Arrangements				
Name/Agency			Phone #	
			Alternate Phone #	
Important Information/Notes: _				