

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State/Territory: Arizona

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCE DIRECTIVES UNDER STATE PLANS FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

The following is a written description of Arizona law (whether statutory or as recognized by Arizona courts) concerning advance directives.

State law allows for health care powers of attorney, allows flexibility when drawing up living wills and permits pre-hospital directive category. While living wills allow patients a more general say about what treatments they will or will not accept if they become too ill to make those decisions, pre-hospital medical care directives are specific to cardiopulmonary resuscitation in the event of cardiac or respiratory arrest.

The Arizona Attorneys General's office maintains and updates the Arizona's Advance Directives brochure (also referred to as the "Life Care Planning Packet"). A copy of the most recent brochure, printed in both English and Spanish can be accessed on the following webpage:

<https://www.azag.gov/seniors/life-care-planning>.

Additionally, AHCCCS policy detailing Advance Directives requirements can be found at the following webpage:

<https://www.azahcccs.gov/shared/Downloads/MedicalPolicyManual/640AdvanceDirectives.pdf>