KANSAS MENTAL HEALTH POWER OF ATTORNEY FORM

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This power of attorney authorizes another person (your agent) to make decisions for you (the principal). Your agent will be able to make decisions and act on your behalf, whether or not you are able to act for yourself.

This power of attorney does not authorize the agent to make health care decisions for you. Such powers are governed by applicable laws for Advance Directives.

You should select someone you trust to serve as your agent. Unless you specify otherwise, generally the agent's authority will continue until you die or revoke the power of attorney or the agent resigns or is unable to act for you.

If your agent is unable or unwilling to act for you, your power of attorney will end unless you have named a successor agent. You may also name a second successor agent.

This power of attorney becomes effective immediately unless you state otherwise in the Special Instructions.

If you have questions about the power of attorney or the authority you are granting to your agent, you should seek legal advice before signing this form.

The following forms are available from the National Resource Center on Psychiatric Advance Directives.

STATE OF KANSAS DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR HEALTH CARE DECISIONS GENERAL STATEMENT OF AUTHORITY GRANTED

I,

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designate and appoint:

Name

Address:

Telephone Number:

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to be my agent for health care decisions and pursuant to the language stated below, on my behalf to:

(1) Consent, refuse consent, or withdraw consent to any care, treatment, service or procedure to maintain, diagnose or treat a physical or mental condition, and to make decisions about organ donation, autopsy and disposition of the body;

(2) make all necessary arrangements at any hospital, psychiatric hospital or psychiatric treatment facility, hospice, nursing home or similar institution; to employ or discharge health care personnel to include physicians, psychiatrists, psychologists, dentists, nurses, therapists or any other person who is licensed, certified or otherwise authorized or permitted by the laws of this state to administer health care as the agent shall deem necessary for my physical, mental and emotional well being; and

(3) request, receive and review any information, verbal or written, regarding my personal affairs or physical or mental health including medical and hospital records and to execute any releases of other documents that may be required in order to obtain such information.

In exercising the grant of authority set forth above my agent for health care decisions shall: --
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(Here may be inserted any special instructions or statement of the principal's desires to be followed by the agent in exercising the authority granted).

LIMITATIONS OF AUTHORITY

(1) The powers of the agent herein shall be limited to the extent set out in writing in this durable power of attorney for health care decisions, and shall not include the power to revoke or invalidate any previously existing declaration made in accordance with the natural death act.

(2) The agent shall be prohibited from authorizing consent for the following items:

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(3) This durable power of attorney for health care decisions shall be subject to the additional following limitations:

EFFECTIVE TIME

This power of attorney for health care decisions shall become effective (immediately and shall not be affected by my subsequent disability or incapacity or upon the occurrence of my disability or incapacity).

REVOCATION

Any durable power of attorney for health care decisions I have previously made is hereby revoked.

(This durable power of attorney for health care decisions shall be revoked by an instrument in writing executed, witnessed or acknowledged in the same manner as required herein or set out another manner of revocation, if desired.)

EXECUTION

Executed this _____, at _____, Kansas.

_____ Principal.

This document must be: (1) Witnessed by two individuals of lawful age who are not the agent, not related to the principal by blood, marriage or adoption, not entitled to any portion of principal's estate and not financially responsible for principal's health care; OR (2) acknowledged by a notary public.

_____ _____
Witness Witness

_____ _____
Address Address

(OR)

STATE OF _____)
SS.
COUNTY OF _____)

This instrument was acknowledged before me on _____ by _____.
(date) (name of person)

_____ (Signature of notary public)

(Seal, if any)

My appointment expires:_____