

# FOOTHILLS GATEWAY, INC

## Advance Directives

### **POLICY:**

It is the policy of Foothills Gateway, Inc. to comply with Colorado Advance Directives when issued by an individual with the capacity to issue the directive, a guardian authorized by court order to give consent, or by a properly appointed proxy decision maker.

### **PROCEDURE:**

- Colorado Advance Directives shall include declarations issued pursuant to the Colorado Medical Treatment Decision Act, C.R.S. 15-18-101, and CPR Directives issued pursuant to C.R.S. 15-18.6-101.
- Absent such documentation, all staff of Foothills Gateway, Inc. (FGI) will seek and provide medical attention for the individual in the same manner as care would be provided to any other person involved in a medical emergency.
- Member Identified Teams (MITs) should address Colorado Advance Directive decisions. These discussions should be documented under the Demographics/Decision Making and Advance Directives in the Care and Case Management (CCM) System at the time of admission and reviewed at each Service Plan (SP) meeting. All Documents should be uploaded to the CCM and titled Advanced Directives.

#### 1) Status of Colorado Advance Directive:

- Colorado Advance Directive in place
- Colorado Advance Directive not in place and why
- Colorado Advance Directive pending and why

#### 2) Other Colorado Advance Directive Options

- Establish proxy decision makers/guardians as needed
  - Outline special instructions decided upon by Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) (i.e.: life sustaining vs. lifesaving)
  - Assure Program Approved Service Agency (PASA) has directives and protocols for individuals in HCBS-DD/Supported Living Services.
- Colorado Advance Directives must be maintained by Service Providers.
  - The service provider /PASA will assure that Colorado Advance Directives are clearly communicated and accessible to all staff.
  - In the event of medical necessity, the service provider/PASA staff will be responsible to provide the Colorado Advance Directive.

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