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NEW MEXICO LIVING WILLS PACKAGE

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U.S. Legal Forms[™] thanks you for your purchase of a Living Wills Package. This package is a useful and necessary tool for making decisions about life support and other medical issues and ensuring that your wishes are implemented. The Living Will package allows you to make the decision of whether life-prolonging medical or surgical procedures are to be continued, withheld, or withdrawn, as well as when artificial feeding and fluids are to be used or withheld. It allows you to express your wishes prior to being incapacitated

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I. FORM LIST

With your Living Will package, you will find the forms that will help you ensure your decisions regarding medical treatment and life support are carried out.

Included in your package are the following forms:

- 1. Power of Attorney Health Care Directive Revocation of Health Care Directive
- 2. Health Care Directive with Optional Health Care Directive Statutory including Living Will provisions
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II. DESCRIPTIONS OF FORMS

Brief descriptions of the forms contained in your U.S. Legal Forms™ Living Will package are found below.

<u>Power of Attorney - Health Care Directive</u> – A Power of Attorney form is used by one individual to designate another individual as their agent with authority to perform certain legal acts on their behalf. This document, a Power of Attorney - Health Care Directive, can be used to designate an individual to make healthcare decisions for you, to make specific instructions for your healthcare, to make anatomical gifts and to designate a primary physician to provide your treatment. You can adapt this form to fit your facts and circumstances as needed. It is available for download now.

Health Care Directive with Optional Health Care Directive Statutory including Living Will provisions - This form allows you to give instructions about your own health care, to name someone else to make health-care decisions for you and to designate a physician to have primary responsibility for your health care. An adult or emancipated minor has the right to make his or her own health-care decisions and to provide instructions regarding the same either orally or in writing through this form. An adult or emancipated minor may execute a power of attorney for health care, which may authorize an agent to make any health-care decision the principal could have made while having capacity. The power must be in writing and signed by the principal and remains in effect notwithstanding the principal's later incapacity under the Uniform Health-Care Decisions Act. The power of attorney may include individual instructions.

Revocation of Health Care Directive - This form provides for partial or total revocation of the Advanced Health-Care Directive provided in Form NM-P021, which allows you to give instructions about your own health care, to name someone else to make health-care decisions for you and to designate a physician to have primary responsibility for your health care. You may revoke the designation of an agent either by a signed writing such as this form or by personally informing the supervising health-care provider. If you cannot sign, a written revocation must be signed for you and be witnessed by two witnesses, each of whom has signed at your direction and in your presence and in the presence of each other. You may revoke all or part of an advance health-care directive, other than the designation of an agent, at any time and in any manner such as through this form that communicates intent to revoke. See Uniform Health-Care Decisions Act [24-7A-1 to 24-7A-17 NMSA 1978].

<u>Uniform Anatomical Gift Act Donation</u> - This Uniform Anatomical Gift Act Donation form pursuant to state statutes designates the specific body parts and organs an individual wishes to donate at the time of death. This form must be witnessed and the signature notarized. Any individual of sound mind and 18 years of age or more may give all or any part of his body for any purpose allowed by statute. A gift of all or part of the body may be made by will or by a document other than a will.

Revocation of Anatomical Gift – This is a revocation of Form NM-P025 that designates the body parts and organs an individual wishes to donate at the time of death. If the will, card, or other document or executed copy thereof, has been delivered to a specified donee, the donor may amend or revoke the gift by executing and delivering to the donee a signed statement, by making an oral statement in the presence of 2 persons and communicating the same to the donee, by making a statement during a terminal illness or injury addressed to an attending physician and communicating the same to the donee, or keeping a signed card or document found on his person or in his effects. Any document of gift which has not been delivered to the donee may be revoked by the donor in the manner set out above or by destruction, cancellation, or mutilation of the document and all executed copies of the document. Specific reference is made to the earlier executed Anatomical Gift Donation.

If you need additional information, please visit www.uslegalforms.com and look up forms by subject matter. You may also wish to visit our legal definitions page at http://definitions.uslegal.com/

III. TIPS ON COMPLETING THE FORMS

The form(s) in this packet may contain "form fields" created using Microsoft Word or Adobe Acrobat (".pdf" format). "Form fields" facilitate completion of the forms using your computer. They do not limit your ability to print the form "in blank" and complete with a typewriter or by hand.

It is also helpful to be able to see the location of the form fields. Go to the View menu, click on Toolbars, and then select Forms. This will open the Forms toolbar. Look for the button on the Forms toolbar that resembles a shaded letter "a". Click this button and the form fields will be visible.

By clicking on the appropriate form field, you will be able to enter the needed information. In some instances, the form field and the line will disappear after information is entered. In other cases, it will not. The form was created to function in this manner.

IV. DISCLAIMER

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