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ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS REQUIRED OF PROVIDERS ADVANCE DIRECTIVES

- 1. Provide written information to all adult individuals (age 18 and older) prior to the initiation of services concerning the individuals' rights under state law to make decisions concerning their medical care, including the right to accept or refuse medical or surgical treatment and the right to formulate advance directives.
- 2. Document in the individual's recipient file whether or not the individual has executed an advance directive.
- 3. Not condition the provision of care or otherwise discriminate against an individual based on whether or not the individual has executed an advance directive.
- 4. Ensure compliance with requirements of State law regarding advance directives. The provider must inform individuals of in-house contact person who would provide general information about sources of additional information about Advance Directives; a community contact referral for additional Advance Directive information; and, contact information for the state agency responsible for handling complaints or grievance concerns (which in Nevada is the Bureau of Licensure and Certification).
- 5. Provide for education of staff concerning its policies and procedures on Advance Directives (at least annually).
- 6. Provide for community education regarding issues concerning Advance Directives (at least annually).