

The Allegheny County Bar Association

Probate and Trust Law Section

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The Allegheny County Medical Society

present

How to Document and Implement Client/Patient Health Care Decisions

April 22, 2010

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Allegheny County Bar Association
Conference Center Auditorium
City-County Building

414 Grant St, Ste 920, Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Guest Speakers

Judith S. Black, MD, MHA

Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine; University of Pittsburgh
Medical Director, Senior Products, Highmark

Robert B. Wolf, Esq.

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Moderator

Raymond C. Vogliano, Esq.

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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of the course is to inform attorneys, physicians, nurses, nursing home administrators, social workers and other health care professionals by examining the broad topic of how to document and implement health care treatment decisions. Particular emphasis will be on two practical tools now available to professionals: the endorsed form, 'Living Will and Health Care Power of Attorney' approved by the Allegheny County Medical Society and the Allegheny County Bar Association; and the Physician Order for Life Sustaining Treatment (POLST). The course is designed to give participants the legal and medical background to beneficially integrate these new tools into their practice or medical facility, and to understand the role and uses of the new health care representative created by Act 169. At the end of this course, participants should be able to:

- * Discuss the role and uses of the health care representative created by Act 169
- * Utilize framework for exploring patient goals and guiding POLST decisions
- * Update their knowledge on the POLST, Living Will and Healthcare Power of Attorney and recognize how these tools are utilized in health care facilities
- * Apply skills, knowledge and resources to champion POLST within their professional environment
- * Define the role of POLST in Advance Care Planning

FACULTY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Jane A. Black - Account Liaison, Heartland Home Health, Hospice and IV Care

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AGENDA

3:30 p.m.	Registration	5:00 p.m.	The Role of the POLST - <i>Judith S. Black, MD, MHA</i>
4:00 p.m.	Introduction of Program - <i>Ray Vogliano, Esq.</i>	5:15 p.m.	Framework for Exploring Patient Goals and Guiding POLST Decisions - <i>Judith S. Black, MD, MHA</i>
4:05 p.m.	Legal and Medical Background of Medical Decision Making - <i>Robert Wolf, Esq.</i>	5:30 p.m.	Recognizing and Promoting the Value of POLST in Assuring Patients' Health Care Treatment Choices are Respected - <i>Judith S. Black, MD, MHA</i>
4:15 p.m.	The Impact of Act 169 - <i>Robert Wolf, Esq.</i>	5:45 p.m.	Q & A
4:20 p.m.	The New Patient Health Care Representative - <i>Robert Wolf, Esq.</i>	6:00 p.m.	Conclusion of Program
4:30 p.m.	Drafting the Durable Health Care Power of Attorney and Living Will - <i>Robert Wolf, Esq.</i>		
4:40 p.m.	The ACBA/ACMS Endorsed Form - Choosing and Using the Right Form - <i>Robert Wolf, Esq.</i>		

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS

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REGISTRATION

Registration is available on-line by visiting www.acba.org, click on events registration, then scroll down to the program title. For details regarding the conference, please contact Danielle Foster, Allegheny County Bar Association at (412) 402-6612.

**Registration fee \$50.00 for lawyers and physicians
 \$20.00 for nurses and other health care professionals**

Participation by all individuals is encouraged. Advance notification of any special needs will help us provide better service. Please notify us of your needs at least 15 days in advance of the program by calling Danielle at (412) 402-6612.