

## Every person in Ontario has a Substitute Decision Maker Who is Yours?



If you have a legally apppointed SDM they outrank a family member SDM.

- 1. Court Appointed Guardian
- 2. Attorney for Personal Care
- Representative appointed by Consent and Capacity Board



If you do not have a legally appointed SDM, a family member is automatically your SDM.

- 4. Spouse or Partner
- 5. Parents or Children
- 6. Parent with right of access only
- 7. Siblings
- 8. Any other relative



If you don't have a legally appointed SDM or a family member SDM, the default SDM for you will be...

9. Public Guardian and Trustee

The healthcare team uses the hierarchy listed above to determine your SDM. Complete a Power of Attorney for Personal Care to ensure that your SDM is the person you want.



# Advance Care Planning What should you and your SDM talk about?



#### Your goals

What does quality of life mean to me? How do I want to spend my days? (time in nature, listen to music, look after my personal care)



### Your worries

What would not be acceptable to you in any way? Loss of dignity is different for every person.



#### Your strengths

What or who gives you strength? (religion, family, information)

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