

Advance Health Directives

An AHD is a document that contains your decisions about the treatment you would want, or not want, to receive if you ever became sick or injured and were incapable of communicating your wishes. It is like a “living Will”. Treatment includes medical, surgical and dental treatments, including palliative care and life-sustaining measures.

You can make an AHD in which you either provide consent, or refuse consent, to future treatment.

An AHD comes into effect only if you are unable to make reasonable judgments about a treatment decision at the time that the treatment is required. If you are unable to make a treatment decision, the treatment decisions contained in your AHD will come into effect. Subject to some limited exceptions (as set out in legislation) health professionals are required to comply with your treatment decisions set out in the AHD.

Lotus Legal can help you prepare your AHD and ensure that it accurately reflects your wishes.

For more information or to discuss how we may be able to assist you, contact our legal team on (08) 9305 9529



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