# SANCTITY OF LIFE

Canadian legislation permits Medical Assistance in Dying with guidelines that indicate the restrictions and qualifications around this process.

As a Christian organization, Menno Place holds a position of conscientious objection to Medical Assistance in Dying.

In the event that a Menno Place resident wishes to pursue Medical Assistance in Dying we will ensure they have access to information and will facilitate a transfer in collaboration with the health authority at the appropriate time so that the resident's wishes may be fulfilled. Physician assessments may be completed in the Menno Place residence prior to transfer.

Our Care Team, Chaplains, and Social Workers provide palliative care for residents at Menno Place. This team not only encompasses the physical needs but also the emotional and spiritual needs of the resident.

End-of-life care affirms life and regards dying as a normal process.





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PLANNING FOR

End-of-life Care



## WHAT IS ADVANCE CARE PLANNING?

Advance care planning begins by thinking about your beliefs, values, and wishes regarding future healthcare treatment. By having conversations with your family, friends, and healthcare providers, they will know the treatments you would agree to, or refuse, if you become incapable of expressing your own decisions.

Thinking about and documenting your wishes:

Gives you more control over the care you receive now and in the future.

Eases the burden on the people who support you should they have to make decisions for you.



Will help you feel less anxious and more at peace.

### MEDICAL ORDERS FOR SCOPE OF TREATMENT (MOST)

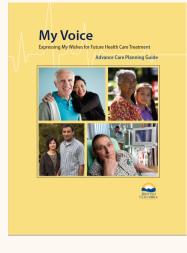
A MOST form is an advance care planning document that communicates your treatment wishes and decisions with healthcare providers in the event that you are unable to speak for yourself.

Through advance care planning discussions, you and your doctor will explore your values and the range of treatments available.

The MOST form provides orders for CPR, Intubation, Site Transfer, Symptom Control, and other Critical Care Interventions.

All residents entering Assisted Living or Long-Term Care at Menno Place must have a MOST form completed and signed by their physician.

We recommend that all Independent Living residents have this conversation with their doctor as well.



#### DOWNLOAD THE ADVANCE CARE PLANNING GUIDE

My Voice: Expressing My Wishes for Future Healthcare Treatment will help you take the further step of documenting your wishes and instructions for future care. With helpful case studies and other resources, this guide will walk you through the advance care planning process.

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