

## Who Should be on Your End of Life Team?

Who will help you manage your final care, services and personal assets? Choosing a team of advisors who can make important decisions when you most need help is often essential as you approach end of life.

Your *end of life support team* will include people you select to protect your interests and carry out your wishes. Whom you choose will depend on your personal circumstances and preferences. You may find that choosing the same person to fulfill multiple roles works best.

### *Legal Team Members*

It's important to appoint one or more people you trust, manage your medical and financial matters if you become unable, and to ensure that your final wishes are carried out after you pass away.

Consider appointing these people to manage legal matters if you become unable:

- **Healthcare Proxy (HP) or Medical Power of Attorney (MPOA)**  
An HP or MPOA gives legal power to the person you appoint to make your healthcare or medical decisions
- **Durable Power of Attorney (DPOA) or Financial Power of Attorney (FPOA)**  
A DPOA or FPOA gives legal power to the person you appoint to act on your financial matters
- **Legal Guardian for Dependent Children or Adults**  
A legal guardian takes legal responsibility for the personal and property interests of your dependents
- **Attorney**  
Your attorney can advise you on end of life legal and financial matters

- **Executor**  
An executor gives legal power to the person you appoint to carry out your final wishes for your physical estate in your will
- **Digital Executor**  
A digital executor is a person you appoint to distribute or delete your digital assets according to your wishes

### *Other Team Members*

You may find it helpful to identify additional support team members:

- **Physicians or care providers**  
A healthcare provider, long-term or in-home care provider, or hospice or palliative care providers who understand your final care wishes and living choices
- **Insurance agents, financial advisors and final services provider**  
You may consult with insurance agents to secure financial benefits for your loved ones, financial advisors or banking representatives to help you manage end of life financial matters and/or a final services provider or funeral home to help manage your final services
- **Personal contacts**  
You may choose family or friends to help care for your pets, home, manage mail or bills, provide transportation to appointments or to communicate with your community if you become unable
- **Alternate representatives**  
Consider an additional person to help if someone on your team is unable to fulfill his or her designated role

Visit [www.passare.com](http://www.passare.com) for details on the legal forms necessary to empower your representatives to carry out your wishes and many other end of life matters: