

ReSPECT

Information for patients



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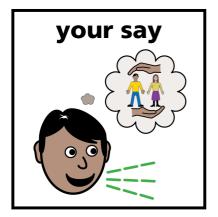


This booklet uses easy words and pictures.

You might want to ask someone to help you read it.



Recommended Summary Plan for Emergency Care and Treatment.



In emergency situations, or at end of life, people cannot always say what they want to happen to them.



The ReSPECT process allows you to talk about what you want before you are too unwell.



It lets you record what is important to you.



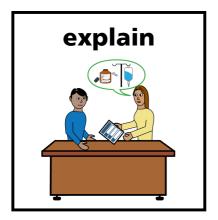
We know it is difficult to think about a time when you will not be well or might die.



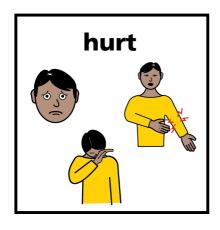
Healthcare professionals are trained to support you with these conversations.



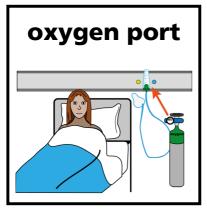
Many treatments that help keep you alive also have risks, like:



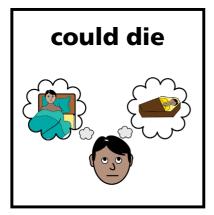
They might not work.



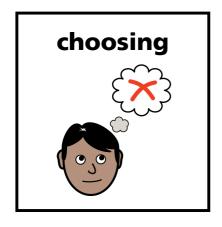
They might cause you pain.



They mean you need to stay in hospital.



They risk you might die in hospital.



Some people choose not to take these risks.



And sometimes doctors or nurses tell you that a treatment is not possible.

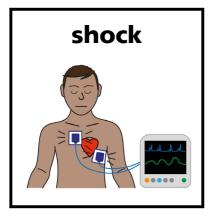


Some treatments you might talk about are:

Antibiotics by a drip if you get an infection.



Supporting your breathing with a ventilator.



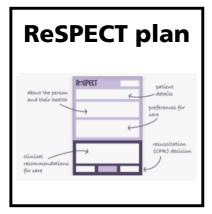
Or even trying to restart your heart if it stops.



You can talk about your care and treatment options with your doctors and nurses.



You and those important to you will always be included in these decisions if you want to be.



These decisions will be recorded on your ReSPECT plan.



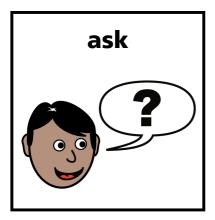
You can keep a paper copy and a copy will be added to your medical notes.



Doctors and nurses will regularly ask you about your ReSPECT plan.



You can change your mind about the decisions at anytime.



If you have any questions, you can ask the staff.



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