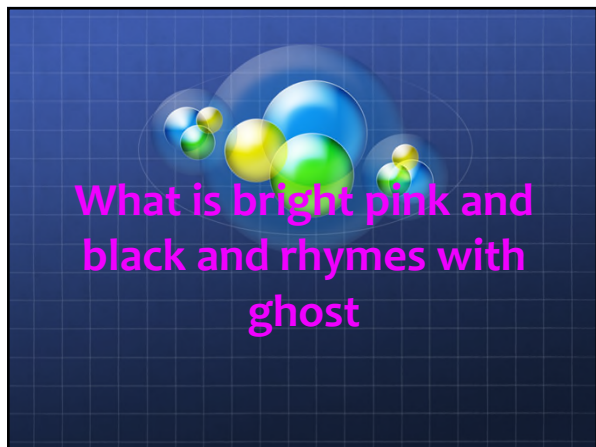
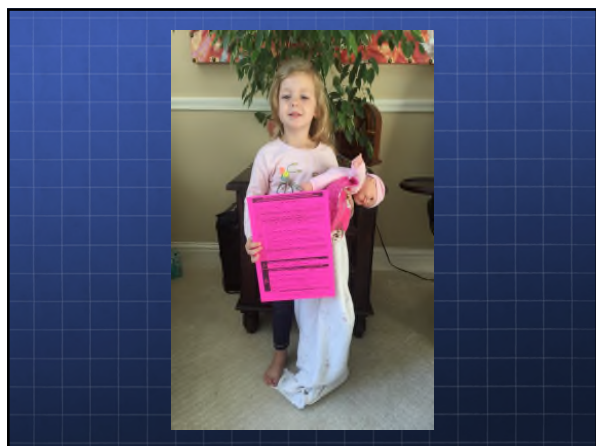


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POLST

Provider Order for Life-Sustaining Treatment

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EMS and the NEVADA POLST

- EMS are an integral and critical partner in the POLST program.
- POLST is to be Honored it IS the LAW. (NRS 499.694.4)
- Who may over-ride a POLST order if pt lacks capacity?
 - Pts. DPA-HC or Agent
 - Legal Guardian
 - The Parent of a minor
 - The Surrogate signer under certain conditions

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SURROGATE

- Spouse
- Majority of adult children who are available
- Parents of an adult
- Majority of adult siblings who are available
- Nearest other adult relative
- Adult exhibiting special care or concern

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Capacity

- 🌐 Determined by a health care provider.
- 🌐 Refers to an assessment of the individual's psychological abilities to form rational decisions.
- 🌐 Ability to understand, appreciate, and manipulate information and form rational decisions.

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Competency

- 🌐 LEGAL TERM
- 🌐 Judicial Decision
- 🌐 Refers to the mental ability and cognitive capabilities required to execute a legally recognized act rationally.

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5 STEPS FOR EMS

- 🌐 Ask if there is a POLST
- 🌐 Check section E for signature and date.
- 🌐 If the patient is in arrest follow section A
- 🌐 If not in arrest then follow section B
- 🌐 TAKE THE POLST WITH YOU if transporting !!!!!!!

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FAQs

- 🌐 What if someone at the scene objects to the POLST?
- 🌐 What constitutes a valid POLST?
- 🌐 Conflicts between the POLST and AD or DNR ?
- 🌐 What if the POLST is from a different state?
- 🌐 May I be prosecuted if there is another AD that I don't know about?
- 🌐 Does the death constitute suicide or homicide?
- 🌐 What if the patient is pregnant?

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ORGAN DONATION

🌐 This does **NOT** give O.K. for donation.

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