

Department of Human Services
Bureau of Guardianship Services

ADVANCE NOTICE

Proposal of Readoption with Amendments for N.J.A.C. 10:48B Decision Making for the
Terminally Ill

To whom it may concern:

This correspondence provides advance notice that the Department of Human Services, Bureau of Guardianship Services will be proposing readoption and proposed amendments for the rules codified in N.J.A.C. 10:48B, Decision Making for the Terminally Ill.

The proposal will incorporate the existing text from the current version of N.J.A.C. 10:48B that is scheduled to expire on November 29, 2023. The proposal will also incorporate updates of corresponding statutes and regulations regarding end-of-life decision making, organ donation and other authorized decisions upon death of the individual. Several sections have been reorganized for clarification of the decision making process including outlining when consultation with a recognized ethics committee and immediate family members is required. Language has been added to clarify procedures for review of existing end-of-life orders and the guidelines for rescinding such orders within the construct of existing procedures. Details have been added regarding rendering a decision and the role of involved parties.

This notice provides you with an opportunity to submit informal comments regarding the Bureau's plan to propose rule amendments at N.J.A.C. 10:48B as described above within thirty (30) days from the publication of this notice on the Department's website.

Please submit any informal comments that you have in response to this advance notice of the upcoming proposal of readoption with amendments for the rules that are codified at N.J.A.C. 10:48B to:

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You will have an additional opportunity to submit formal comments on the actual rule proposal within sixty (60) days of the publication of the proposal in the New Jersey Register.

Thank you for your interest in the Bureau of Guardianship Services.