

Supplementary Material 3

Decision Report of the Secondary Medical Board for Withdrawing/withholding Life-sustaining Medical Treatment

We, the undersigned are the members of the Secondary Medical Board constituted by the Chief of Medical Services of the St. John's Medical College Hospital, Bengaluru, on AtAM/PM, in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the Supreme Court, of India, in its order dated 24.01.2023, in Miscellaneous Application No. 1699 of 2019 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 215 of 2005, (with modified Paragraphs 198 and 199) of its judgement reported in *Common Cause (A Registered Society) v Union of India and Another* (2018) 5 SCC 1.

The Secondary Medical Board constituted by the Chief of Medical Services		
Members of the SMB	Name, and Qualification	Reg: Number
The Physician with > 5 years of post-qualification clinical experience, and State empanelled member of the SMB (or member of Board of Medical Experts, for certification of Brain Death)*		
Subject Expert with > 5 years of post-qualification clinical experience		
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* Section 3 (6) of the Transplantation of Human organs and Tissues Act 1994, with Amended on (2011)

We the members of the Secondary Medical Board have together visited the patient (Name..... UHID....., Age / Gender AADHAR No: resident of (address) son of (Father's Name) :..... on (date of Evaluation) ___ / ___ / _____ at (Time of Evaluation) _____ AM / PM, in (Place of Evaluation (Facility Name and Address) - , in the presence of the guardian/ close relative / surrogate decision maker named in the notarised Advance Medical Directive and/ or the next of kin as per Indian law.

We have evaluated this patient and have reviewed the Primary Medical Board report.

Summary of the clinical evaluation, review of ongoing treatment, and prognosis
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- Currently, he/she has the capacity to make such decisions for themselves
- Currently, he/she does not have the capacity to make such decisions for themselves
- We are fully satisfied that the executor is terminally ill, is undergoing prolonged treatment, and that her/his illness is incurable.
- We have reviewed her/his AMD (living will) and find;
- No AMD
- AMD: valid and authentic as per the mandates
- AMD: NOT valid as per the mandates
- We have interacted with the guardian/s/ close relative/s / legal / surrogate decision maker/s; and we believe that she/he/them comprehend/s the information and options provided with their 'pros' and 'cons' of withdrawal/ refusal of the medical treatment for their patient; and have come to the firm view that the option of withdrawal/ refusal is the best choice.
- The guardian/s/ close relative/s / legal / surrogate decision maker/s have given their **consent in writing in the presence of two attesting witnesses**, clarifying their understanding of the consequences of withdrawal/ refusal of the medical treatment for their patient.
- After completing the due diligence as described above,

- We, the Secondary Medical Board members, unanimously CONCUR with the preliminary opinion of the Primary Medical Board to withhold/ withdraw the following medical treatment/s
- We, the Secondary Medical Board members, unanimously DO NOT CONCUR with the decision of the Primary Medical Board to withhold/ withdraw the following Medical treatment/s
- Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation
- Endotracheal Intubation
- Artificial Ventilation, ECMO, or other means of artificial oxygenation
- Intravenous medications such as inotropes, vasopressors, fluids
- Artificial feeding - parenteral, nasogastric tube or gastrostomy
- Defibrillator function of the Implanted Cardioverter-Defibrillators (ICD)
- Kidney Replacement Therapy
- Chemotherapy, immunotherapy, other cancer-directed therapies
- Other artificial intervention / devices used for the purpose of prolonging vital functions, which are not listed above

We, the members of the Secondary Medical Board unanimously submit that,

- We CONCUR with the decision of the Primary Medical Board on withholding / withdrawing of the medical life-sustaining Treatment /s under consideration**
- We DO NOT concur with the decision of the Primary Medical Board.**

Signatures of the Secondary Medical Board members	Date/Time
<p>The Physician with ≥ 5 years of post-qualification clinical experience, and State empanelled member of the SMB (or member of Board of Medical Experts, for certification of Brain Death)*</p> <p>Subject Expert with ≥ 5 years of post-qualification clinical experience</p> <p>Subject Expert with ≥ 5 years of post-qualification clinical experience</p> <p>Member of the Institutional Clinical Ethics Board (<u>optional</u>)</p>	<p>Name, Reg: number, Seal, Signature</p>

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