

NATIONAL POLST COLLABORATIVE (NPC)

State Level Membership

WHO WE ARE

National POLST Collaborative is a program founded in 2004 committed to advancing the use of POLST, a process surrounding portable medical orders, for patients facing advancing, serious illness and frailty. This practice is built on shared decision-making conversations between clinicians and patients, and their families. It's a meaningful way to respect the voice of the patient, defining ways to live well by establishing treatment preferences through the end of their lives. This process results in an order set that follows the patient across the variety of care settings and clinicians they interact with.

We are continuing to build significant research-based resources offered through our website and meetings. We encourage and support state programs working to foster adoption of the POLST process taking into consideration their state-specific legislative structures, regulations and laws.

NPC also works with other national and health care delivery organizations and their clinicians in the ongoing effort to improve care for seriously ill patients.



GUIDING PRINCIPLES & VALUES

- Our approach to these conversations and the POLST document must be evidence-based.
- We seek full engagement of and demonstrate respect for our state programs and stakeholders, and the diverse communities they serve.
- Together, we are committed to creating resilient, adaptable state and national organizations, sustaining and increasing the enduring impact of POLST.
- We respect and honor the integrity and dignity of all persons.

WE BELIEVE

Living well now and through the end of their lives is vital to patients and their families. Clinicians want to be part of making this happen through creation of goal-concordant order sets that respect patient preferences.

VISION

Working together with state program leaders and stakeholders, we can create a world where all persons living with serious, advanced illness and frailty, have access to shared decision-making conversations regarding values and treatment preferences, reflected in a portable, standardized medical order set.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- A. Leverage collaboration with other national strategic partners committed to advancing best clinical practices in the care of those facing serious, advancing illnesses and/or frailty to support and accelerate our work.
- B. Focus efforts on adoption of the national model POLST form tenets and processes. This will include accelerating efforts around integration and use of a registry system that will make the portability and transportability of these medical orders a reality. This focus significantly supports the ability of clinicians to provide goal concordant care.
- C. Continue initiating and reviewing research that will support development of best practices around the use of POLST and the POLST shared decision-making conversation process.
- D. Develop and implement a sustainability plan that offers a broad revenue structure to support the work at the national and state levels.



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MEMBERSHIP VALUE

- Recognition as a state member strategically focused on improving care for the seriously ill and frail, leading the adoption of POLST nationally.
- Networking opportunities with peers and other national leaders across the country to learn about what makes other state programs successful and able to advance the use of POLST in their states.
- Access to grants focused on advancing and promoting POLST use with National POLST Collaborative.
- Inclusion on mailing list for timely advocacy and policy updates.
- Voting participation in member work groups/committees that will develop and approve major policy initiatives.
- Listed on National POLST Collaborative website as a member leading the movement to adopt and promote POLST nationwide.

BENEFITS OF BEING A MEMBER

- Annual Summit meeting attendance at discounted rates
- Discounted access to online training webinars for continuing education credit
- Consultation with National POLST Collaborative leaders to continue building your state's efforts
- Access to National POLST Collaborative's vast library of past webinar recordings and resource library free of charge
- Vote on Board membership and officers for NPC
- Use of NPC Member designation on your organization's website and materials

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

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