

INFORMATION FOR INTERPRETERS

You are reading this because you have been asked to help someone complete an Advance Care Directive, and they require assistance with the English language.

Under Section 14 of the *Advance Care Directives Act 2013*, to fulfill the requirements of an interpreter, you must:

а	be an adult with legal capacity; and
	you cannot:
b	be appointed as a Substitute Decision–Maker for the person giving this Advance Care Directive,
С	have an interest in the estate of the person giving the Advance Care Directive,
d	be a health practitioner responsible for the care of the person,
е	occupy a position of authority by virtue of your employment in a hospital, aged care facility or other institution.

ADVANCE CARE DIRECTIVE

The person may have already completed an Advance Care Directive in their own language. If they have, you will need another blank Advance Care Directive Form (available on the website) to translate their words into English on the blank Form.

The official copy of the person's Advance Care Directive must be in English so others, especially those providing healthcare, can read it.

As the interpreter, you must fill in Part 8 of the Form.

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Did you know?

The Information Statement is available in other languages on the Advance Care Directive website (advancecaredirectives.sa.gov.au)

By signing your name, you are certifying that:

You gave the person the **Information Statement** (you may have to read it to them) and in your opinion, they appeared to understand the information given.

Your translation and what you have written on the Form accurately reproduces in English the information and instructions of the person.

There are penalties for writing false or misleading statements on an Advance Care Directive or forcing someone to write information in an Advance Care Directive that they do not want to write.

You must explain to the person that they need to sign their Advance Care Directive in front of an authorised witness.

You may also be able to witness their Advance Care Directive, if you are also an authorised witness as specified under the Act and Regulations.