

TO: Vermont Health Care Providers and Health Care Facilities
FROM: Vermont Department of Health

DNR/COLST Forms Update

On June 1, 2022, the Vermont Department of Health published a new and improved 'Do Not Resuscitate/Clinician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (DNR/COLST)' form for use across the state.

Requested Action:

Please utilize the new DNR/COLST form.

Health care providers and other interested parties can view a video tutorial offered by the Vermont Ethics Network's Executive Director and Clinical Ethicist, Cindy Bruzzese, MPA, MSB, HEC-C, to learn about the new Vermont DNR/COLST form and review best practices for completing medical orders. The video provides an overview of new 2022 DNR/COLST, best practices, consent for medical orders, and Q&A. To view this video and for more information visit: www.vtethicsnetwork.org/2022-vt-dnr-colst-form.

If you have any questions, please contact the HAN Coordinator at 802-859-5900 or vthan@vermont.gov.

HAN Message Type Definitions

Health Alert: Conveys the highest level of importance; warrants immediate action or attention.

Health Advisory: Provides important information for a specific incident or situation may not require immediate action.

Health Update: Provides updated information regarding an incident or situation; unlikely to require immediate action.

Info Service Message: Provides general correspondence from VDH, which is not necessarily considered to be of an emergent nature.