## I'm following these 5 STEPS to advance care planning...

- 1. THINKING: About my values, wishes and beliefs, and my understanding of my care and treatment.
- 2. LEARNING: About different treatment options and what they can and can't do.
- **3. DECIDING:** Who will be my Substitute Decision Maker. Who is willing and able to speak for me if I can't speak for myself?
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- **4. TALKING:** About my wishes with my Substitute Decision Maker, loved ones and healthcare team.
- **5. RECORDING:** My wishes and making copies so that my team has access to them.



Here are some of my initial thoughts about my wishes and values for discussing with my team:



## Let's Have a Huddle!

I'd Like to Share My Wishes for My Future Healthcare



### April 16<sup>th</sup> is National Advance Care Planning Day in Canada





# What is advance care planning?

It's the process of reflecting on my wishes and values for future healthcare, and talking about them with my loved ones and healthcare providers.

It's also a time for deciding on a Substitute Decision Maker; someone who will make healthcare decisions for me if I am unable to do so.

It's about conversations. It's about wishes.

It's how we care for each other.

By sharing my wishes and values with those around me, I hope to create a team of people who all know what I would want if I couldn't speak for myself.

It's time to have a talk with my team *in case the day comes* when I can't tell you what I want.

### Every team needs to plan so let's huddle up!





### Did you know?

Advance care planning helps to prevent conflict during a difficult time, and reduce stress and anxiety.

Talking to my team today means they will be ready to support me and my Substitute Decision Maker when the time comes.

#### Let's start the conversation TODAY!

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