Carers Checklist

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for End of Life support

Carers are often left out of end of life care discussions, despite the involvement on a day-to-day level.

This checklist is for you, to make sure you have the information you need.

Consent

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1.	Have you talked to the person you care for about what medical information they are happy for health professionals to share with you? Do you have written consent from the patient? If so, send a copy to the surgery.	Y	N
2.	Has an advance decision to refuse treatment / living will been discussed with the person you care for? If yes then you will need to keep this safe and make sure the GP is aware of it.	Y	N
Und	derstanding the situation		
3.	Have you asked your GP to explain what is happening and what to expect, including timescales?	Y	N
Ear	ly conversations and planning		
4.	Have you talked to the person you care for about the care they would like and where they would like to be when they die?	Y	N
5.	Have you talked to the person you care for and informed your GP about if they want to go into hospital if an ambulance is called?	Y	N
6.	Has a power of attorney been made for the cared for's health and welfare?	Y	N
7.	Have you let your GP know about any cultural or religious needs for the cared for before or after their death?	Y	N

Ask your	GP	for	information	on
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8.	What to do if there is an emergency during the day, at night or on the weekend.	Done	
9.	What to do if you are unhappy with the medical treatment received.	Done	
10.	Where to get more support if you need it.	Done	
11.	What to do if the situation means that the plans that were made cannot be fulfilled? E.g. you become ill or cannot manage?	Done	
12.	Who is the case coordinator?	Done	
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