



# ReSPECT

## Recommended Summary Plan for Emergency Care and Treatment

**Easy read information for patients,  
parents, partners and families**



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ReSPECT stands for Recommended Summary Plan for Emergency Care and Treatment.



This means it is a short plan about what should happen if a person needs healthcare or treatment in an emergency.



It is called ReSPECT for short.



ReSPECT plans are made by a patient and healthcare workers working together.



They talk about what is important to the person and what the choices may be.



This information is written down on a ReSPECT plan.



ReSPECT is being used in many areas of the country, but not everywhere.



Ask your healthcare workers if ReSPECT is in your area.



ReSPECT is a way of making sure that healthcare workers know what is important to you in an emergency.



But if you do not have a ReSPECT plan, the healthcare workers looking after you must still do all they can to find out what is important to you in an emergency.



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