Caregiver Conversations Health Care Providers and Medical History





Do you know your loved one's medical history and health care providers?

In an emergency, the first questions often asked pertain to the medical history of a patient. They are generally followed with requests for the name of a patient's primary care physician. Additionally, if a patient has a history of a serious or chronic condition, the name of the treating specialist will be requested.

Would you be able to provide that information on behalf of your loved one?

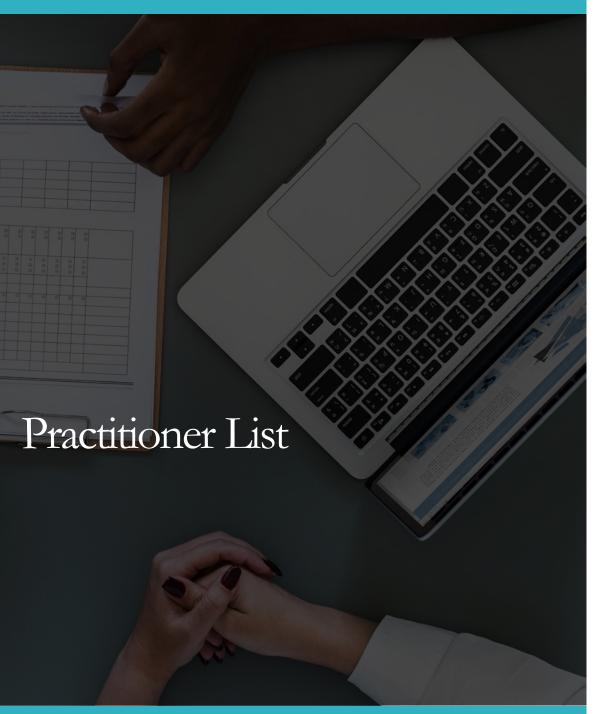


Create a list of all the health care providers who are currently treating or monitoring a health condition or medication for your loved one.

The following information should be included:

- Health care provider's name
- Health care provider's specialty
- Address
- Phone number
- Email (if available)

Collect business cards from health care providers when your loved ones go for an office visit. Those cards can be used later to create the list.

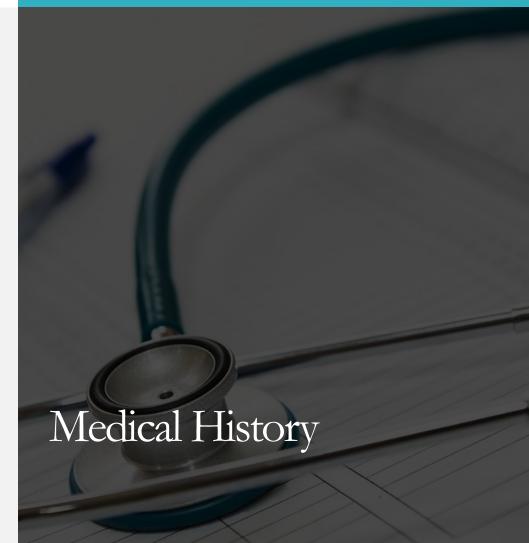




Create a summary of your loved one's medical history.

It should include the following:

- All known medical conditions (past and present)
- All known allergies
- Surgical procedures
- If there is a history of frequent hospitalizations or medical rehabilitation admissions, names of facilities and dates of admissions





This medical information should be kept up to date and in some place that is easily assessable. Make copies and share with designated health agents, family members, caregivers or any other responsible party that you determine should have this information.

