



# Five Essential Family Documents Checklist

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## The five documents

- ☐ Will - directs probate assets and names key representatives, subject to state law.
- ☐ Living will or advance directive - records healthcare wishes in applicable circumstances.
- ☐ HIPAA authorization - permits specified people to receive protected health information.
- ☐ Medical power of attorney - names someone to make healthcare decisions when authorized.
- ☐ Durable financial power of attorney - names someone to handle specified financial matters when authorized.

## Review with an attorney

These documents must fit state law and your circumstances. FFES does not prepare legal documents or provide legal advice.

Document most in need of attention: \_\_\_\_\_

Attorney or qualified resource to contact: \_\_\_\_\_

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