

# Proactive Health Care Planning Conversations

## Get the Best Possible Care Over Your Lifetime



**Friday August 14, 2020**  
Live Virtual Event via the Zoom Platform

Illness and accidents can happen anytime - it's just part of life. Healthcare providers must be able to confidently start proactive planning conversations with adults and families to prepare them for a time when the person in their care is unable to make healthcare decisions for themselves. Healthcare professionals will be able to incorporate the tools and practices offered in this program to start goals of care conversations to align the best possible care to an individual's values and choices.

### Speaker

Ellen DiPaola, M.Ed., JD  
President & CEO

Honoring Choices Massachusetts

Ellen M. DiPaola is an attorney, with a former practice in Guardianship and Conservatorship and estate planning. Ellen has worked extensively in helping adults and families create personal health care plans as a Respecting Choices Certified Instructor. She is an appointed member of the MA Department of Public Health Palliative Care & Quality of Life Interdisciplinary Advisory Council, and chairs the Health Care Planning and MOLST Sub-Committee. Ellen is a certified Mediator and is an experienced advocate for the rights of adults with cognitive challenges.

### Agenda

9:00 am - 10:30 am

#### How to start proactive conversations at every phase of health

- Review the step-by-step Honoring Choices MA Getting Started Tool Kit
- Use multilingual documents and culturally sensitive conversations
- Learn about the Health Care Planning Ambassador's role and tools
- Introduction to Ariadne Lab's Serious Illness Conversation Guide

#### How do we put our health care plans into action

- Define best practices for implementation
- How to help adults access best possible care aligned with their health care plan

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