

CONGRATULATIONS TO YOUR GRADUATING SENIOR!

Did you know that as soon as your child turns 18, you lose the ability to make medical and financial decisions for them, lose access to their health care information, and lose the right to speak with their doctors or get information from a hospital in an emergency? It is important for them to have the right legal documents in place – particularly before they move on to college or begin their careers.

The “Grad Pak” is designed to streamline and organize your child’s estate planning essentials as they venture into adulthood. This comprehensive package ensures that your child’s wishes are documented and readily accessible in case of emergencies. Below are the components of the Grad Pak, each tailored to provide peace of mind and efficiency in managing your child’s needs.

The Grad Pak includes:

1. Advance Directive: An Advance Medical Directive allows your child to specify their healthcare preferences and designate a healthcare proxy who can make medical decisions on their behalf if they cannot do so. It ensures that your child’s wishes regarding medical treatment and end-of-life care are followed and respected.

2. In Case of Emergency (ICE) DocuBank Membership: DocuBank provides emergency access to your child’s important healthcare documents, such as their Advance Directive, and other key medical information, 24/7, worldwide. DocuBank’s **ICE Enrollment** feature enables your child to register emergency contacts and pertinent medical information in a centralized, secure, digital location. This information can include allergies, medications, and specific medical conditions, ensuring that first responders and healthcare providers have immediate access to crucial details during a medical emergency.

4. Medication List: A detailed list of your child’s current medications, including dosage instructions and any allergies, helps healthcare providers administer appropriate treatments and avoid potential conflicts or adverse reactions. This can be part of your child’s DocuBank membership so it’s immediately accessible by medical personnel.

5. Disposition of Remains: This form allows your child to authorize someone to manage their remains after death. Whether they prefer burial, cremation, or other arrangements, specifying their wishes ensures that their loved ones can honor their choices with peace of mind.

6. Power of Attorney: A Power of Attorney appoints a trusted individual to manage your financial affairs and make legal decisions on your behalf if you become incapacitated. This ensures that your financial matters continue to be handled according to your wishes, even if you are unable to manage them yourself.

The Grad Pak is designed to empower you with the tools and resources needed to manage your child’s estate plan effectively. By compiling essential documents such as your Advance Directive, DocuBank membership, ICE Enrollment details, medication list, disposition of remains preferences, and Power of Attorney, you are taking proactive steps to safeguard your

future and ensure that your child's wishes are respected. Contact us today at (503) 581-1800 to schedule an appointment with our office!