

MOLST Update July 2007

Dear Colleagues,

It is my pleasure to present you with the new Medical Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatments (MOLST) DVD and introduce you to an array of Web-based tools located in the MOLST Training Center at www.compassionandsupport.org. A preview of the MOLST DVD will be held on July 31st, 2007 at the George Eastman House. To view the formal MOLST DVD Preview invitation, please see the attachment.

The MOLST DVD includes an informational video "Writing Your Final Chapter: Know Your Choices...Share Your Wishes" for all. An educational video for professionals, "Honoring Patient Preferences: The Role of Medical Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (MOLST) in New York State" provides the core curriculum on MOLST. Once you have viewed the material, take the posttest, complete the evaluation and receive your CME credit by clicking the "CME Posttest and Evaluation" button at the Web site. Completion of the training and testing is estimated to take about two hours.

This activity has been implemented in accordance with the Essentials Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of the Medical Society of the State of New York and Excellus BlueCross BlueShield. To learn more about the MOLST DVD, please see the attachment.

I am also writing on behalf of the Monroe and Onondaga County MOLST Implementation Team to invite you to the 5th **MOLST Train the Trainer Session** that will be held on Wednesday, August 7th, 2007 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Lifetime Care 3111 Winton Road South, Henrietta, NY. (Lifetime Care is located just after Brighton Henrietta Town-Line Road and across from Pizza Hut).

Each LTC facility will receive a MOLST Training Manual at the training session. Each hospital in Monroe County has already received a copy of the MOLST Training Manual.

Our goal is to be sure that each LTC facility has a trained educator and to begin an ongoing dialogue in the community that ensures a successful MOLST Pilot in Onondaga and Monroe counties. In addition, our goal is to ensure all 28 Nursing facilities receive MOLST Training and the Train the Trainer MOLST Binder.

Please let Emily Martinez-Vogt, Program Implementation Manager, know if you will be attending or if you have other questions. She can be reached at Emily.Martinez-Vogt@excellus.com or 585-453-6306.

Thanks for your support of this important community initiative. Our collaborative efforts will help ensure MOLST becomes a statewide program.

Best regards,

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