

## MOLST Update

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You are cordially invited to attend a Preview of the MOLST DVD, a statewide initiative presented by the Medical Society of the State of New York and Excellus BlueCross BlueShield in collaboration with the New York State Department of Health and the Monroe and Onondaga Counties MOLST Community Implementation Team.

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. Additional information is available on the revised community Web site, [www.compassionandsupport.org](http://www.compassionandsupport.org) that will be unveiled at the same time.

As noted in our 2006 Annual Report of Caring, "Throughout the spectrum of life, health care is a lot about choices. The goal of our Caring for Communities initiatives that address care and decisions about the end-of-life is to help ensure that patients and families are aware of their options and have expressed their desires in writing." MOLST, the DVD and the revised community Web site are powerful tools to help achieve this goal.

If you plan to attend, please RSVP by sending your name and address to Marcia Haines at [Marcia.Haines@excellus.com](mailto:Marcia.Haines@excellus.com). We hope to see you.

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