

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY
CONSENT TO TREAT MINORS FORM 0029A

Persons in Indiana who may “delegate” the legal authority to consent to health care and services on behalf of a minor child pursuant to I.C. §16-36-1-6 are:

-An appointed “**Health Care Representative**” or judicially appointed “**Guardian**”, BUT

-If there is no appointed Representative or judicially appointed Guardian, OR

-The appointed Representative or judicially appointed Guardian is not reasonably available or declines to act, OR

-The existence of the appointed Representative or judicially appointed Guardian is unknown to the health care provider, THEN,

- A **Parent**, OR

- An Individual **In Loco Parentis***, OR

- An **Adult Sibling**, IF

-A Parent or Individual In Loco Parentis is not reasonably available or declines to act, OR

-The existence of the Parent or Individual In Loco Parentis is unknown to the health care provider.

* **In Loco Parentis** means “in the place of a parent.” In Loco Parentis refers to a person who has put himself/herself in the situation of a lawful parent by assuming the obligations incident to the parental relation without going through the formalities necessary for legal adoption. It embodies the two ideas of: (1) assuming the parental status and (2) discharging the parental duties.

Per Indiana Code IC 16-36