

Comparison of the SC Health Care Power of Attorney, SC Living Will, and POST (Physician Orders for Scope of Treatment)

	SC Health Care Power of Attorney (HCPOA)	SC Living Will (LW)	POST
Limited to terminal illness/permanent unconscious states	No	Yes	No
Covers a broad range of situations	Yes	No	Yes
Covers what you do and do not want	Yes	No	Yes
Requires Governor's Office Ombudsman to witness if you are in a hospital or nursing home	No	Yes	No
It is a physician's order	No-the HCPOA is an advance directive	No-the LW is an advance directive	Yes-POST Is a physician order