Effect of a Multidisciplinary Ward-based Intervention on End-of-life Care for General Medicine Patients

## Supplementary 1 – Medical EOL Care Plan Template

BACKGROUND	
Rationale for EOL Care	
Approving Consultant	
Diagnosis / Problem List	
Cause of death (in event of	
demise)	
Preferred Place of Death	
ICD Deactivated? (Yes/No/NA)	
CARE Form Completed?	

VITALS	
(Chart vitals here)	

SYMPTOM ASSESSMENT	
Alertness	(alert/drowsy/lethargic but rousable)
Delirium	(behaviour chart, sleep)
Pain	(grimace, pain score, character, pain behaviour, infusion rate, usage of breakthrough medications)
Dyspnoea	(RR, usage of accessory muscles, secretions/rattle, infusion rate, use of breakthrough medications)
Constipation	(BO x Type)
Others	(e.g. nausea)

PLANS	
Medication rationalisation	- (Consider stopping unnecessary medications and treatments)
	- (Consider stopping antibiotics if more likely to prolong dying
	rather than offer any meaningful chance of recovery)
Symptom management	- (Consider appropriate symptomatic medications for comfort)
Rationalisation of Monitoring	- (Consider decreasing the frequency of parameters monitoring if
& Interventions (CARE form,	unlikely to change management)
NGT, IDC, Blood-taking, Vitals	- (Consider reducing blood-taking, BSL monitoring, documenting
monitoring and trigger)	not for trigger)
Others	- (Consider discussing terminal discharge if preferred place of
	death is at home, and medically suitable)

COMMUNICATION	
Main spokesperson	
Details of communication	Date, Time