

Information About Registering With Nidus



What is the Nidus Registry?

The Nidus Registry™ is a Registry for your personal planning documents. It makes sure your plan is available when needed.

The Registry is a way that third parties (hospitals, banks, government agencies) find out who has legal authority to act on your behalf. This helps with communication and acts as a safeguard to protect you and your wishes.



The Registry records **basic information** about the person who made the legal document, when the document was signed, where the original is stored and the names and contact information for representatives.



The Registry can also store a **copy** of your legal documents. These are scanned into the computer using a fax. The advantage of this is that a hospital or other third party not only has access to the basic information, but also can easily and quickly see if you restricted any powers or if you expressed specific instructions. This additional information will speed up communication and is a safeguard for your wishes.

Which documents can be registered?

- Representation Agreements
- Enduring Powers of Attorney
- Revocation (cancellation) of the above documents

Who operates the Nidus Registry?

The Registry is operated by the Nidus Personal Planning Resource Centre (a non-profit charity) in partnership with the Juricert Program of the Law Society of British Columbia.

Who can access the Nidus Registry?

Only designated individuals of pre-authorized organizations can view a record in the Registry. This includes hospitals, banks and government services. When you register, you decide which types of organizations **you authorize**.

You can access your own Registry record using the Nidus Registry number assigned when you register and the password you choose during the registration process. This allows you to view your record(s) AND to edit contact information such as the phone number of your representative, information about the location of your original document or change of e-mail contact for Registry news.

What are the benefits of registering your documents?

Keeping track of paperwork can be cumbersome. The Nidus Registry can be your memory as well as a handy reference for your representative. Your representative may not have time to find the original paperwork or they may need to double check that information is up-to-date. With your Nidus number and password, your representative can also access the Registry. As the Nidus Registry expands to register more types of documents, it will be useful to have everything in a **centralized place**.

What does it cost?

Payment is required prior to registration. The fee is \$25 for the initial set-up and first registration, and \$10 to register additional documents for the same person. For example, if you register both a Representation Agreement and an Enduring Power of Attorney, the total fee is \$35.

Note: These are one-time fees and are subject to change.

How do I register my document?

You will need to:

1. **Make your documents** (for example, a Representation Agreement, Enduring Power of Attorney).



Visit: <http://www.nidus.ca/textual/info-publish.htm>

2. **Contact the Nidus Registry to obtain the forms required for registration.**



Email us at: registry@nidus.ca

Contact Nidus Registry