

**Did you know that when your child turns 18, you no longer have access to their medical information?**

Many parents are surprised to learn this when their child goes off to college. Since the child is no longer a minor at this point, it is their decision whether to allow another adult to have access to their medical information. By signing a **Health Care Proxy** and **HIPAA Authorization Form**, your child can grant you access to their information and ensure that you can make a health decision for them if they cannot.

To ensure that you can continue to assist your child with activities outside of their health care, such as banking, applications, and any general business, you may also want to consider having your child prepare a **Durable Power of Attorney** to appoint you as their agent. Many families have found that taking this important step at adulthood can provide both parent and child the comfort of remaining connected.

In light of the pandemic and the increased concern many parents have as their children are heading to college, Attorney Denise J. McCarthy of Cody, Cody & McCarthy, LLC is offering a package of these three documents for \$350.

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