

# Guide for Families to ensure important information is available to survivors. Actions recommended prior to and following the death of a Family Member August 2020

To Retirees and their Spouses, Survivors and Beneficiaries:

The following is provided by the Insurance Committee of the National Chrysler Retirement Organization (NCRO). It is intended as general information that it is not applicable to only the benefits provided by Chrysler/FCA for its retirees, their spouse, survivors or beneficiaries. This Guide is not intended as legal advice on how to manage an estate. Information regarding benefits provided by Chrysler/FCA are covered in a separate Guide.

This Guide is intended to recommend information that everyone should make available to those that may need to refer to it.

This listing may not be complete for everyone, but is intended to cover as many items as occurred to the Insurance Committee. For a more detailed listing there are books and publications on this subject. One that has been recommended by one of our NCRO Board members, is called Checklist For My Family, A Guide to My History, Financial Plans, and Final Wishes written by Sally Balch Hurme an elder care attorney.

Jay Kuhnie, President NCRO August 2020

# The following information should be kept in a binder or folder and secured.

- Personal data to include names, addresses, birth dates, social security numbers and Medicare numbers for yourself as the retiree and for family members.
- User Names and Passwords for accessing financial, medical and other information files for online accounts using the internet.

# Contact Information for:

Doctors Bank(s) and/or Credit Union(s)

Lawyers Mortgage Company

Insurance Agent(s) Pension/Annuity Provider

Investment Advisors/Brokers Healthcare, Life, LTC Ins. Providers

Investment Account Holders Care Facility being lived in

Religious Contact Charities

Social Security Funeral Home or alternative

Former Employer or Cemetery designated Administrators Medicare

of Company Benefits Medications/Pharmacies
Close friends and family Credit Card Companies

if applicable

Veterans Administration,

## Documents for:

Social Security Medicare/Medicaid

Wills Trusts

Powers of Attorney for: Medical History

O General Investments

Medical Loans/MortgageHIPAA Authority Pensions/Annuities

Insurance Certificates Tax Returns

Life, Home, Auto, Medical User Names and Passwords

Military Service Burial Plots/Cremation Wishes Marriage Certificate Birth Certificate(s)

Passport(s) Adoption Documents

Collectibles Instructions for Funeral preferences

In the event of the death of someone, the following is general information on who should be contacted and on steps to be taken.

The contact listing below is dependent upon whether you are the retiree, the spouse or the beneficiaries. It is intended as a checklist and may not include everything for everyone's circumstances. Before you take any actions you may want to contact your lawyer or investment advisor. You should also coordinate this with other survivors.

- Funeral Home and/or Cemetery Can be a valuable resource due to their experience and ability to guide you through this difficult time. They can initiate requests for death certificates.
- Close friends and family
- Caregiver(s) for dependents and/or pets
- Social Security Administration to cancel/change Social Security payments and initiate the process for the Social Security Death Benefit
- Investigate surviving spouse and/or other dependent options with Social Security
- Medicare and/or Medicaid
- Pension provider or Annuity provider if applicable
- Health Insurers (including Drug, Dental and Vision insurers, as applicable)
- Lawyer for wills and trusts and any property issues
- Life Insurance Company(s)
- Banks and Mortgage Company (Do not close Bank account(s) immediately)
- Credit card companies to close or change card registration, if applicable
- Veterans Administration, if applicable (There may be a death benefit)
- Department of Motor Vehicles to cancel the deceased person's driver's license or State
   Identification Card

- U.S. Postal Service to forward mail delivery, if applicable
- Financial Advisors
- The deceased person's doctor(s)
- Update all records to remove deceased person (i.e. home title, car title, utilities, joint bank accounts, mortgages, leases, credit cards, etc.)
- Monitor the bank account(s) and credit cards for fraud

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