

Making an RA7H+P – a Representation Agreement (RA) with two authorities from section 7 of the BC Representation Agreement Act (RA Act)

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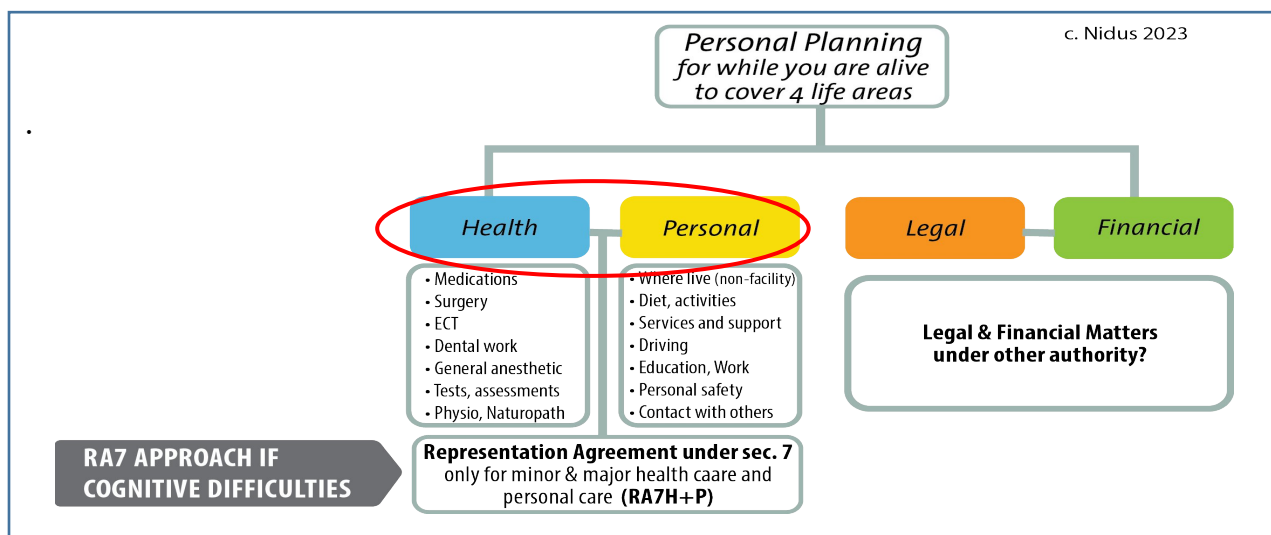
You will need a printer and access to the Internet to make this RA. See next page for some tips.

Do you have the right package?

The RA7H+P form has only 2 authorities as outlined in [section 7 of the RA Act](#):

1. Minor and major **health care** matters, and
2. **Personal care** matters including consent to certain living arrangements.

The RA7H+P is designed for adults (19+) with cognitive difficulties.



RA7 is sometimes used as a generic term. Nidus uses more specific terms and has different forms. For other types of Representation Agreements like RA7ALL (for all 4 areas of authority) or RA7F+L (routine financial affairs and legal matters only) go to <https://nidus.ca/ra-forms/>.

I'm not good with technology, how do I manage?

Ask relatives, friends, or personal supporters. Your local seniors' centre or library could also help, or they might provide some digital literacy workshops.

Unfortunately, Nidus does not have sufficient resources or staff to provide hands-on assistance for everyone creating an RA with our free forms.

Where do I get the RA7H+P form?

See link and information on the last page.

Can I get personal help?

This material is for self-help. Depending on funding, Nidus may be able to provide some personal help. Email info@nidus.ca

How do I get started?

R GET ON TRACK

In the past it was common to ignore adults with cognitive difficulties or treat them like children. Today, we know better, and view all adults as capable of self-determination regardless of disability. The RA7 is a legal tool to enable that self-determination – it provides a legal appointee to support and help the adult access their rights.

R GET INFORMED

Read more about Representation Agreements [HERE on the Nidus website](#).

R FAQs / TIPS

Making an RA7H+P

- > How is someone with cognitive difficulties considered capable to make an RA7?
See the [RA7 Inclusive Approach to Capability](#)
- > How to fill out Form & Certificates? - see our [Sample RA7H+P](#)
- > Who can be named? The law has some restrictions on who may be named as a representative - See the [Restrictions and Tips on Who to Name in an RA](#)
- > What are the steps for signing? How can adult sign/make a mark? - [Tips for Signing](#)
The adult needs to sign their own Representation Agreement – signing is a physical action. Sometimes you need to modify the pen, so it is easier to grasp, or place the pen in their mouth and hold the paper up for them on a firm board/book. In law, a signature is a mark – the adult can make a line, squiggle, or other type of mark.
- > Help! Someone is asking about info on the Certificates? - [Certificate References](#)

I made the RA7H+P, now what?

Storing, distributing, registering the RA

- > [Tips for Keeping Original and Distributing Copies](#)
- > [How to Register with Nidus Registry](#)
- > The adult I support doesn't communicate in a traditional way, what should I do? How to document adult's style of communication & wishes? - See [Tips for Documenting Adult's Wishes and Communication Style](#). Here is a link to an idea that one family used to understand and demonstrate the adult's wishes and preferences: [Expressing My Preferences](#)

Using the RA7

- > Tips on [Privacy & Access to Information](#)
- > [Snapshot for health](#)
- > [Details for health and personal care](#)

Changes, Revocation, Resignation

- > What if there is a change of address? Change of people? - [Making Changes to an RA](#)
- > Only the adult can revoke (cancel) their RA - [Revoking \(Cancelling\) an RA](#)
- > I'm a Representative or Monitor and I want to resign (quit): See [Representative Resignation](#) and/or [Monitor Resignation](#)

Where do I get the RA7H+P form?

R [CLICK HERE TO GET THE BASIC RA7H+P FORM](#)

The Basic RA7H+P is 11 pages, including required Certificates. Click the link above and Download/Save it to your device.

- > Click here for: [Terms of Use](#).
- > On the RA7H+P form, you can type in the fields or print and handwrite in the fields. Even if you type, you must print out a hardcopy of the form to get original signatures and handwrite some dates.
- > Scan the completed hardcopy in PDF format for your records and for optional [uploading to the Nidus Registry](#).

Nidus is not the only source of RA forms, but the wording used by other sources may not be as accessible. Nidus consulted with legal experts and others when preparing the RA7ALL form.

A medical assessment is NOT required to make any type of RA.
A legal professional is also NOT required.