

Collecting this type of information is often an easy way to begin discussions about care and legacy. And having the information can give peace of mind, knowing you have important information at your fingertips. Keep in mind that just knowing the location of some documents is enough.

CHECKLIST—EMERGENCY/TIME OF NEED

Parent (1)

Vital records	Details
Date of birth	
Social Security number (Put in a secure place to protect this information.)	
Allergies	
Medication (1) Dose and timing	
Medication (2) Dose and timing	
Medication (3) Dose and timing	
Medication (4) Dose and timing	
Physical condition Any special considerations? (e.g., walker, cane)	
Mental condition (i.e., need to write things down)	
Hearing-impaired (check one)	Yes No

You can also find these forms on **Thrivent.com/moneymatters**.



CHECKLIST—EMERGENCY/TIME OF NEED

Parent (2)_____

Vital records	Details
Date of birth	
Social Security number (Put in a secure place to protect this information.)	
Allergies	
Medication (1) Dose and timing	
Medication (2) Dose and timing	
Medication (3) Dose and timing	
Medication (4) Dose and timing	
Physical condition Any special considerations? (e.g., walker, cane)	
Mental condition (e.g., need to write things down)	
Hearing-impaired (check one)	Yes No



CHECKLIST—MEDICAL

The following information is helpful to know in case a parent can't speak for himself or herself, or if you have to act quickly on your parent's behalf in an emergency.

Parent (1)

Medical resources	Details
Main doctors	
Family physician	
Orthopedic	
Internal medicine	
Geriatric	
• Dentist	
• Eye	
• Other	
Hospital	
Health insurance provider	
Medical insurance options	
Medicare	
Medicaid	
• Medigap	
• Part D	
Veterans benefits	
Medical directive on file with doctor	
Primary doctor has my contact information	



CHECKLIST—MEDICAL

The following information is helpful to know in case a parent can't speak for himself or herself, or if you have to act quickly on your parent's behalf in an emergency.

Parent (2)

Medic	cal resources	Details
Main	doctors	
• Fam	ily physician	
• Orth	nopedic	
• Inte	rnal medicine	
• Geri	atric	
• Den	tist	
• Eye		
• Othe	er	
Hospi	tal	
Health	n insurance provider	
Medic	al insurance options	
• Mec	licare	
• Mec	licaid	
• Mec	ligap	
Part	D	
• Vete	erans benefits	
Medic	al directive on file with doctor	
Prima	ry doctor has my contact information	



CHECKLIST—FINANCIAL

The following information is helpful to know in case a parent can't speak for himself or herself, or if you have to act quickly on your parent's behalf. The legal instrument giving you or a sibling the authority to act must be in place first.

Financial overview

Financial information	Details
Location of accounts	
Checking	
Savings	
Who else is an authorized signer?	
Certificates of deposit (CDs)	
Safe deposit box	
 – 2nd person authorized 	
Receive Social Security (check one)	Yes No
Charitable giving	
Alma mater	
• Church	
Other organizations they care about	
Employment/employer	
Full-time	
Part-time	



CHECKLIST—FINANCIAL (continued)

Current obligations

Expenses	Details
Mortgage	
Who holds it?	
Monthly amount	
Due date	
Monthly rent amount	
Credit cards	
Card/amount due	
Card/amount due	
Card/amount due	
Loans	
Lender/amount due/payment	
Lender/amount due/payment	
Utilities	
Phone Optile	
Cable Mobile phone	
Electric	
• Gas	
• Water/sewer	
Garbage/recycling	
• Other	



CHECKLIST—FINANCIAL (continued)

Protection

Insurance	Details
Insurance contracts/premiums	
Life	
• Health	
Medical	
• Dental	
• Medigap	
Long-term care	
• Disability	
• Term	
Homeowners/renters	
• Auto	
Umbrella liability	

Retirement and other assets

Assets	Details
Types of accounts	
• 401(k)—Parent 1	
• 401(k)—Parent 2	
Pension	
IRA/SEP IRA—Parent 1	
IRA/SEP IRA—Parent 2	
Roth IRA	
• Trusts	
Certificates of deposit (CD)	
Bonds/municipal bonds	
• Other	
Other assets	
Property (vacation home, vehicles)	
• Home	
• Jewelry	
• Furniture	
• Other	



CHECKLIST—FINANCIAL (continued)

Contact information

Trusted professionals	Details
Accountant	
Attorney	
Financial advisor	
Insurance agent	
• Auto	
• Home	
• Health	
• Life	
• Other	



CHECKLIST—LEGAL

Understanding your fiduciary responsibilities is key to ensuring that you are willing to accept the responsibilities—and liabilities—associated with that role once the document is made legal. In addition, making sure your parents' documents are current will help lessen family issues down the road. You don't need to know the details, but knowing the location of legal documents is important, to allow for easy access when needed. **Fiduciary responsibilities** is defined on page 36 in the glossary.

Legal information	Details
Up-to-date beneficiaries	
Insurance contracts	
Retirement plans	
• Trusts	
• Will	
Payable on Death bank or credit union accounts	
Wills or trusts	
Are they current?	
Do they still reflect their desires?	
Titles/Deeds	
• Auto	
• Home	
Real estate	
• Other	
Authorized cosigners	
• Checking	
• Savings	
• Other	
Health care directive	
Living wills	
Power of attorney	
Executor	
Has a parent been divorced?	
If yes:	
Divorce date	
Marriage date	
Where is a copy of the divorce decree?	



CHECKLIST—OTHER

It is good to know the whereabouts of the following information. If passwords and other sensitive information are written here, keep this document secured as it could be detrimental if it were lost or stolen.

Computer

Computer, online accounts	Access details
Email account addresses	
• Parent 1	
• Parent 2	
Computer	
WiFi/internet access	
Social media 1	
Social media 2	
Social media 3	
Online bill payments	
Company 1	
Company 2	
Company 3	
Other	

Important documents

Other vital records	Details
Birth certificates • Parent 1	
• Parent 2	
Death certificate if one parent is already deceased	
Marriage certificate	
Military documents (e.g., discharge papers)	
Passports	
Parent 1Parent 2	
Memberships	
1	
2	



CHECKLIST—OTHER (continued)

Contact

Name	Contact information, nature of relationship
Trusted contact person(s) Friends 1. 2. 3. 4.	
Neighbors 1. 2. 3.	
Church leaders 1 2 3	
Others, such as home repair 1. 2. 3.	

General funeral/burial

F	uneral and burial wishes	Details
	Family plot/crypt/mausoleum/ columbarium? • Parent 1 • Parent 2	
	Memorial service?	
	Funeral/burial instructions (e.g., type of service, Bible verses, music)	
	Other	

