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- General approach:
 - 1. Determine if a terminal disease is involved?
 - 2. Is there an advanced directive such as a DNR / MOST form?
 - 3. Did the patient express to your historian any desires regarding resuscitation and if so what measures?
 - 4. Remember a living will is not a DNR.
- Obtain a history while resuscitation efforts are ongoing. Determine the most legitimate person on scene as your information source such as a spouse, child, or sibling or Durable Health Care Power of Attorney. Basic and Advanced Life Support may use for treatment decisions.

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