



CHAPTER 32A
ARTICLE 3 - HEALTH CARE POWERS OF ATTORNEY

N.C.G.S. § 32A-17.

Who may make a health care power of attorney.

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Any person having understanding and capacity to make and communicate health care decisions, who is 18 years of age or older, may make a health care power of attorney.

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