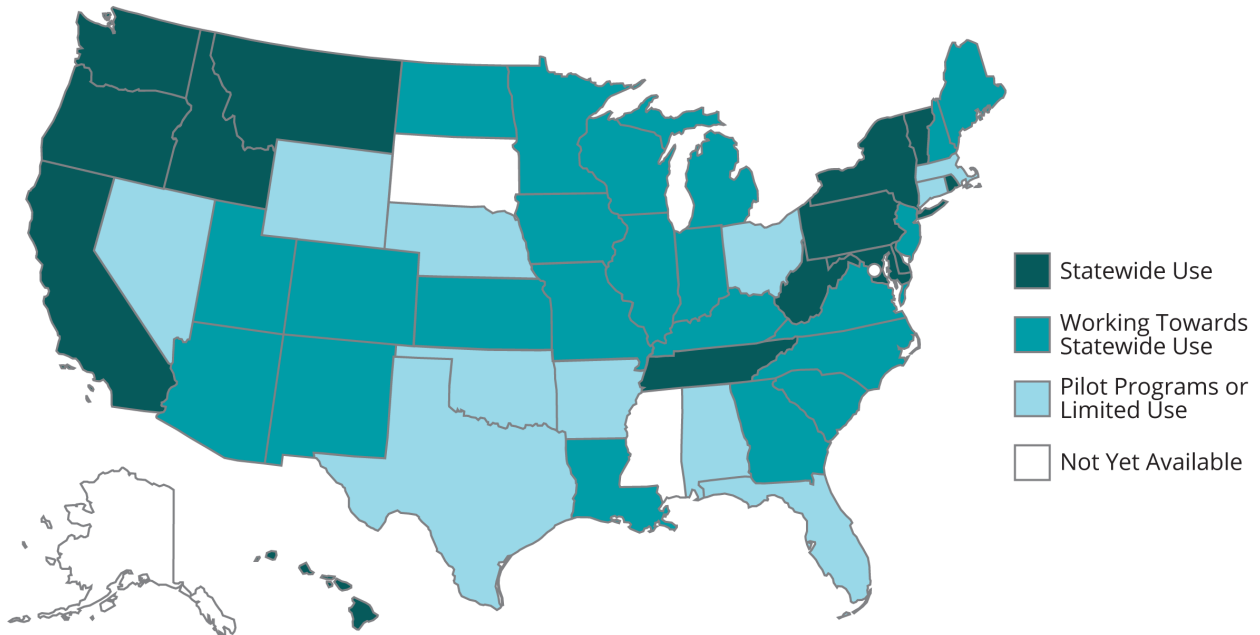


## National POLST: POLST Use by State

As of April 2021



NOTE: Map reflects the data we have been provided by individual programs.

This map shows the general availability regarding the use of POLST within a state. For this map, POLST Program leaders were asked to use the following definitions and provide their assessment about the level of use of POLST within their state:

- **Statewide:**
  - More than 75% of Emergency Medical Service agencies have protocols that recognize and honor the state POLST form.
  - POLST is the standard preferred practice statewide for process of advance care planning for persons of any age with serious advanced illness or frailty whose health care professionals wouldn't be surprised if they died within the year
  - For each region of the state (defined by EMS, DHS or Dartmouth Atlas), POLST forms are used in 50% or more **in each**: hospital, nursing home or nursing home resident population, and hospice.
- **Working /Towards Statewide Availability.** There is greater availability/use of POLST than just in pilot programs or specific regional areas.
- **Pilot Programs or Limited Availability.** POLST is being piloted in specific areas or is only available/use in certain regions.
- **Not Yet Available.** The POLST form is not yet in use in any pilot program.

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