Policy:

It is the policy of Connecticut Valley Hospital (CVH) that if a person has the legal authority to act on behalf of a patient in making decisions related to healthcare, CVH shall treat such person as a personal representative with respect to the patient’s Protected Health Information (PHI).

If a person has the legal authority to act on behalf of a deceased patient or the patient’s estate, CVH shall treat such person as a personal representative with respect to the patient’s PHI. (See OP&P Procedure 10.25, Disclosures to Personal Representatives for details).