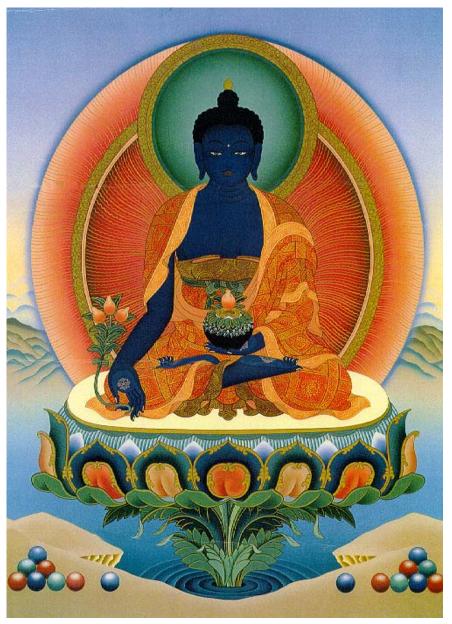
# A CONCISE SADHANA OF MEDICINE BUDDHA

The Method for Making Requests to the Assembly of Seven Medicine Gurus

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## Refuge and Generating Boddhicitta

Until I attain enlightenment, I respectfully go for refuge To Guru, Buddha, Dharma and Sangha. To attain Buddhahood for the welfare of all living beings I shall make requests to the Seven Sugatas.

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### Visualizing the seven Sugatas

On the crown of my head sits the Tathagata Medicine Guru. His body is blue, his right hand, in the mudra of supreme giving, holds an Arura plant, and his left hand, in the mudra of meditative equipoise, holds a bowl filled with medicine nectar.

On his crown is the Tathagata King of Clear Knowing. His body is white, his right hand is in the mudra of supreme giving, and his left hand is in the mudra of meditative equipoise.

On his crown is the Tathagata Melodious Ocean of Dharma Proclaimed. His body is bright red, and both his hands are in the mudra of expounding Dharma.

On his crown is the Tathagata Supreme Glory Free from Sorrow. His body is pale red, and both his hands are in the mudra of meditative equipoise.

On his crown is the Tathagata Stainless Excellent Gold. His body is golden, and both his hands are in the mudra of expounding Dharma.

On his crown is the Tathagata King of Melodious Sound. His body is golden, his right hand is in the mudra of supreme giving, and his left hand is in the mudra of meditative equipoise.

On his crown is the Tathagata Glorious Renown of Excellent Signs. His body is golden, his right hand is in the mudra of granting protection, and his left hand is in the mudra of meditative equipoise.

They all wear the three robes of a monk and are adorned with the major and minor marks. They sit in the vajra posture on seats of a lotus and moon.

Imagine the place where you are meditating as a beautiful scenic place. The whole of space is filled with rainbow lights and offering dakas and dakinis who hold objects of offering everything that is pleasing to the senses and mind. Imagine the place in a way that is beautiful and nurturing for you.

#### Offering The Seven Limbs

Merely through the touch of the smallest part of your supreme medicinal plant, you cool the fires of the deepest hell, transforming them into lotus pools.

To you, Assembly of Protectors of impure beings, with my body, speech and mind, respectfully I prostrate.

I offer a vast collection of offerings, both actually set out and emanated through the power of mantra, wisdom, and imagination.

I confess all negativities and downfalls, rejoice in virtue, beseech you to remain, and request you to teach.

I dedicate these virtues to great enlightenment.

## **Prayer Of Request:**

O Great Assembly of Blessed Ones, please listen to me.

Previously you Seven Sugatas made prayers,

To fulfil the promises you have made

In this, the final five hundred years of Buddha Shakyamuni's Teachings;

I request you now to show me the truth directly.

O Blessed One, Tathagata, Foe Destroyer, Completely Perfect Buddha, Great King, Glorious Renown of Excellent Signs, to you I prostrate, make offerings, and go for refuge.

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The Tathagata Glorious Renown of Excellent Signs melts into light and dissolves into the Tathagata King of Melodious Sound.

O Blessed One, Tathagata, Foe Destroyer, Completely Perfect Buddha, King of Melodious Sound, Brilliant Radiance of Skill, Fully Adorned with Jewels, Moon and Lotus, to you I prostrate, make offerings, and go for refuge.

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The Tathagata King of Melodious Sound melts into light and dissolves into the Tathagata Stainless Excellent Gold.

O Blessed One, Tathagata, Foe Destroyer, Completely Perfect Buddha, Stainless Excellent Gold, Jewel Radiance who Accomplish your Vows, to you I prostrate, make offerings, and go for refuge.

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The Tathagata Stainless Excellent Gold melts into light and dissolves into the Tathagata Supreme Glory Free from Sorrow.

O Blessed One, Tathagata, Foe Destroyer, Completely Perfect Buddha, Supreme Glory Free from Sorrow, to you I prostrate, make offerings, and go for refuge.

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The Tathagata Supreme Glory Free from Sorrow melts into light and dissolves into the Tathagata Melodious Ocean of Dharma Proclaimed.

O Blessed One, Tathagata, Foe Destroyer, Completely Perfect Buddha, Melodious Ocean of Dharma Proclaimed, to you I prostrate, make offerings, and go for refuge.

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The Tathagata Melodious Ocean of Dharma Proclaimed melts into light and dissolves into the Tathagata King of Clear Knowing.

O Blessed One, Tathagata, Foe Destroyer, Completely Perfect Buddha, King of Clear Knowing, who Fully Enjoys a Supreme Wisdom of an Ocean of Dharma, to you I prostrate, make offerings, and go for refuge.

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The Tathagata King of Clear Knowing melts into light and dissolves into the Tathagata Medicine Guru.

O Blessed One, Tathagata, Foe Destroyer, Completely Perfect Buddha, Medicine Guru, Great King with the Radiance of a Lapis Jewel, to you I prostrate, make offerings, and go for refuge.

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The Tathagata Medicine Guru melts into light and dissolves into me. All sickness, spirits, negativities and obstructions that afflict me are purified and I become the Buddha Medicine Guru.

#### Recitation of the Mantra

At my heart, on a moon, is a letter HUM  $\xi$  surrounded by the mantra:

## TAYATA OM BHEKHANDZE BHEKHANDZE MAHA BHEKANDZE BHEKANDZE RANDZA SAMUNGATE SOHA

(Recite the Medicine Buddha mantra 21 or 108 times with visualisation.)

#### **Dedication**

Through my virtues from prostrating, making offerings and reciting the names of the Assembly of Seven Sugatas,

May the supreme prayers that they previously made -

The two sets of eight, the four sets of four and the twelve promises -

Immediately ripen upon me and all other living beings.

Ge-wa di-yi nyur du-dag La-ma sang-gye drub-gyur ne Dro-wa chig-kyang ma-lü-pa Kye-kyi sa-la gö-par-shog. Jang-chub sem-chog rin-po-che Ma-kye pa-nam kye-gyur-chig

Kye-pa nyam-pa me-par-yang Gong-ne gong-du pel-war-shog

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