

OUR SURGERY CENTER'S ADVANCE DIRECTIVE POLICY

An Advance Directive is a statement you make regarding the medical care you would like in a particular situation prior to actually needing the care. These are different types of Advanced Directives. The most common are Living Wills or durable Power of Attorney for Healthcare. These documents allow you to communicate your care wishes to your care providers and others.

The majority of procedures performed at South Anchorage Surgery Center are considered to be of minimal risk. Of course, no surgery is without risk. You and your provider will have discussed the specifics of your procedure and the risk associated with your procedure, the expected recovery, and the care after your surgery.

It is the policy of South Anchorage Surgery Center, regardless of the contents of any Advance Directive or instructions from a health care surrogate or attorney, in fact, that if an adverse event occurs during your treatment at South Anchorage Surgery Center, we will initiate resuscitative or other stabilizing measures and transfer you to an acute care hospital for further evaluation. At the acute care hospital further treatment or withdrawal of treatment measures already begun will be ordered in accordance with your wishes, advance directive, or health care power of attorney.

I have executed an Advance Directive.

Yes No

A copy of Alaska Advance Healthcare Directives statutes and official state forms are available upon request or at the following web address:

<http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Director/Documents/advancedirective.pdf>

BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ ITS CONTENTS AND HAVE RECEIVED A COPY OF THIS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO TAKE HOME.

Signature of Patient

Date & Time