

ADVANCE DIRECTIVE (LIVING WILL)

Northwest Surgicare is a licensed ambulatory surgery center, and our history reflects our commitment to provide safe high quality care to patients of all ages. We want all aspects of your experience to go as smoothly as possible. Therefore, if you, the patient, present an Advanced Directive document to us, we will make a copy to be placed in your medical chart, and record it on your medical record.

- A. You have the right to make choices regarding life-sustaining treatment, including resuscitative measures.
- B. If there is a need to transfer you to a hospital for additional care measures beyond what the ambulatory facility can provide, your care needs, including your Advance Directive/Living Will/Healthcare Proxy, will be honored at the receiving hospital upon your arrival.
- C. We request that if you have an Advance Directive/Living Will/Healthcare Proxy, please bring a copy with you so we may place it with your medical record if needed.
- D. If you do not have an Advance Directive/Living Will/Healthcare Proxy, and are interested in preparing one, you may obtain more information and assistance in preparation of an Advance Directive by contacting one of the following sources:
  - 1. Your personal attorney
  - 2. The Illinois Department on Aging 1-800-252-8966
  - 3. [www.caringinfo.org](http://www.caringinfo.org) (Navigate to State Specific Advance Directives)