



### Notice of Advance Directives

Stonecreek Surgery Center strives to provide an atmosphere of respect and caring and to ensure that each patient's ability and right to participate in medical decision-making is maximized and not compromised as a result of admission for care to this facility.

It is the policy of Stonecreek Surgery Center to respect and encourage patient self-determination. Patients will be encouraged and assisted to be active participants in the decision-making process regarding their care through education, inquiry and assistance as requested. Specifically, a patient chooses whether to accept, reject, or continue medical care and treatment.

Stonecreek Surgery Center provides a limited scope of services, specifically limited to interventional surgical services and accompanying ancillary services. Further, the administration of medications that produce a deep sedation necessarily involves some practices and procedures that might be viewed as "resuscitation" in other settings. Thus, a patient who does not desire to have a "do not resuscitate" order suspended shall not be a candidate for treatment at the facility it shall be a condition to treatment at the facility that each patient suspend any "do not resuscitate" order that an otherwise valid and existing advance directive order might contain.

In consenting to the performance of a surgical procedure at Stonecreek Surgery Center, the patient will consent to the full suspension of existing directives during the anesthetic and immediate postoperative period and shall consent to the use of any resuscitation procedures that may be appropriate to treat clinical events that occur during this time. If rescue is required during a procedure and a surrogate requests that a patient not be resuscitated, the surrogate will be informed of the policy of the facility to resuscitate patients in all circumstances.

Stonecreek Surgery Center is an Outpatient Ambulatory Surgical Facility and is therefore not required by law to obtain Advance Directives on all patients. If a patient inquiries about Advance Directives, information or a resource for acquiring information will be provided to the patient.

Information regarding obtaining or initiating Advance Directives is available at our facility. Please inquire through the Registration Department.

Thank you.