

JUPITER OUTPATIENT SURGERY CENTER, LLC

Health Care Advance Directives

When a person becomes unable to make decisions due to physical or mental change, such as being in a coma, they are considered incapacitated. To ensure that an incapacitated person's decisions about health care will be respected, the Florida legislature enacted legislation pertaining to health care advanced directives (Chapter 765, Florida Statutes).

An advance directive is a written or oral statement about how you want medical decisions made should you not be able to make them yourself and/or it can express your wish to make an anatomical donation after death. Some persons make advance directives when they are diagnosed with a life-threatening illness, while others put their wishes into writing while they are healthy, often as part of their estate planning.

Types of advance directives include:

- 1) A Living Will
- 2) A Health Care Surrogate Designation
- 3) An Anatomical Donation.

Jupiter Outpatient Surgery Center would like to be made aware should you have an advance directive; however should your condition deteriorate while at the facility, we will make efforts to resuscitate you and transfer you to the hospital. Should you wish to obtain more information about advance directives, you may contact www.aarp.org or www.FloridaHealthFinder.gov (888-419-3456).