

Advanced Directive Policy

Your Right to Make Your Own Decisions Regarding Your Medical Care

Formal advance directives are documents that state your choices for health care. Advance directives allow you to make known your wishes regarding the medical care you do or do not want to receive if you become too sick to speak for yourself.

Eye Surgery Center of Knoxville, LLC respects your right to make decisions regarding your medical care. If you present an advance directive at the time of your admission, a copy will be made and become a part of your medical record.

Our policy states your directive will be followed ***unless an event occurs during the SURGERY procedure that could require life-sustaining treatment.*** Due to the fact that anesthesia drugs can alter the chemistry of the body and cause cardiac arrhythmias, Do Not Resuscitate Orders are suspended in the operating room.