



Dear *Patient*,

Advance Directives and Do Not Resuscitate Orders have a very important role in regards to decision making health care.

Evans Medical Group has compiled web site links and information in this document in order to better equip our patients when they are researching for these decisions.

Definitions of Advance Directives and Do Not Resuscitate Orders= FamilyDoctor.org
<http://familydoctor.org/online/famdocen/home/pat-advocacy/endoflife/003.printerview.html>

Understanding the Georgia Living Will
http://aging.dhr.georgia.gov/DHR-DAS/DHR-DAS_Publications/LivingWill.pdf

Durable Power of Attorney (Georgia)
<http://www.aging.dhr.georgia.gov/DHR-DAS/GEORGIA%20ADVANCE%20DIRECTIVE%20FOR%20HEALTH%20CARE-07.pdf>

Advance Directive for Healthcare update 2010
http://www.aging.dhr.georgia.gov/DHR-DAS/DHR-DAS_Publications/GEORGIA%20ADVANCE%20DIRECTIVE%20FOR%20HEALTH%20CARE-10.pdf

Georgia Do Not Resuscitate form
<http://www.lawhelp.org/documents/298091DNR.rtf?stateabbrev=/GA/>

South Carolina Advance Directives, Living Will and Power of Attorney
<http://www.state.sc.us/dmh/804-97.htm>

South Carolina Do Not Resuscitate
http://www.lexmed.com/docs/DNS_order.pdf

Other information can be found at:
American Bar Association, Commission on Law and Aging. http://www.americanbar.org/groups/law_aging.html

U.S. Living Will Registry.
<http://www.uslivingwillregistry.com/default.asp>

Georgia Department of Human Services-Division of Aging
<http://aging.dhr.georgia.gov/portal/site/DHS-DAS/>

Georgia Probate
http://www.gaprobate.org/guardianship_alt.php

If you have an advanced directive, please send our office a copy for your records here. **Each medical institution (hospital, doctor's office, etc.) maintains files independently.** It is necessary that **YOU** send a copy of your advanced directives to each institution (your doctor's office as well as local hospitals) where you might receive care. **Due to government privacy laws, it is illegal for our office to send or receive this information from hospitals, or for hospitals to share this information with each other or with our office.** Keep a copy for yourself, and whenever you create, update, or change your advance directives, you must submit a copy to each local institution where you might possibly receive medical care. This is necessary to avoid confusion or questions in any potential urgent situation, so that your wishes are clear and always respected. Thank you.

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