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ADVANCE DIRECTIVE NOTIFICATION

In the state of California, all patients have the right to participate in their own health care decisions and to make Advance Directives or execute Powers of Attorney that authorize others to make decisions on their behalf based on the patients expressed wishes when the patient is unable to make decisions or unable to communicate decisions. Truckee Surgery Center respects and upholds those rights.

However, unlike in an acute care hospital setting, Truckee Surgery Center does not routinely perform “high risk” procedures. While no surgery is without risk, most procedures performed in this facility are considered to be of minimal risk. You will discuss the specifics of your procedure and informed consent with your physician who can answer your questions as to its risks, your expected recovery, and care after your surgery.

Therefore, it is our policy, regardless of the contents of any Advance Directive or instructions from a health care surrogate or attorney in fact, that during your episode of care at the Center, that if an adverse event or a life threatening emergency occurs during your treatment at this facility, based on reasons of conscience, the Center will always attempt to resuscitate you and transfer you to an acute care hospital for further evaluation. At the acute care hospital, further treatment or withdrawal of treatment measures already begun will be ordered in accordance with your wishes, Advance Directive, or health care Power of Attorney. Your agreement with this facilities policy will not revoke or invalidate any current health care directive or health care Power of Attorney.

Please bring a copy of your Advance Directive if you have one. If you wish to complete an Advance Directive, copies of the official state forms are available at the facility upon request. Please arrive 30 minutes earlier than your scheduled check-in time if you wish to complete an Advance Directive at the time of service.

If you do not agree with Truckee Surgery Center’s policy and choose to seek alternative care due to the Center’s policy, we will be pleased to assist you and provide an appropriate referral.

I have read and understand Truckee Surgery Center’s Advance Directive Notification.

Patient/Guardian Signature

Date