

Advance Directives

In the State of Florida, all patients have the right to participate in their own healthcare decisions and to make Advance Directives or to execute Power of Attorney that authorize others to make decisions on their behalf, based on the patient's expressed wishes when the patient is unable to make decisions or unable to communicate decisions. Tomoka Surgery Center respects and upholds those rights.

Most procedures performed in this facility are considered to be of minimal risk. You will discuss the specifics of your procedure with your physician who can answer your questions as to its risks, your expected recovery, and care after surgery. It is the policy of Tomoka Surgery Center, regardless of the contents of an advance directive or instructions from a healthcare surrogate or power of attorney that if an adverse event occurs during treatment, the center personnel will initiate resuscitative or other stabilizing measures, and transfer the patient to an acute care hospital for further evaluation. The patient's agreement with this policy by signature does not revoke or invalidate any current health care directive or health care power of attorney.