

SUBJECT: Advanced Directives

POLICY:

It is the policy of Pullman Regional Hospital to inform all inpatients, observation patients, outpatient surgeries, and Emergency Department patients of their rights regarding advanced directives (Durable power of attorney for Healthcare / Living Will):

1. Inquire at the time of registration if the patient has completed an advanced directive, if applicable. If yes, request a copy be brought in for the patient's medical record.
2. If the patient is unaware of the advanced directive, furnish a pamphlet with detailed information.
 - Obtain signatures of acknowledgement and route to nursing along with the registration form.
 - All information regarding advanced directives should be maintained in the patients' medical record.

Director of Patient Registration Services

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