

Advance Care Planning/Directives

Patients have the right to make health care decisions for themselves, including the right to accept or refuse treatment and to execute an advance directive. An advance directive is a written instruction, such as a living will or durable power of attorney for health care that is recognized under state law and relates to the provision of health care when an individual is incapacitated. Arizona state law defines advance directives as: 1) Medical Health Care Power of Attorney, 2) Mental Health Care Power of Attorney, 3) Living Will.

Our office cannot answer legal questions about how to prepare advance directives, but we can provide you with a copy of any of the three recognized Arizona advance directives. If you do not feel comfortable preparing an advance directive by yourself we encourage you to contact an attorney or one of the many organizations that provide this type of service.

Please complete the information below and acknowledge your response by signing.

_____ I have a Medical Power of Attorney and can provide Tucson Gastroenterology Specialists with a copy. Designee, if available _____

_____ I have a Living Will and can provide Tucson Gastroenterology Specialists with a copy for record. State location, if available _____

_____ I have designated a “surrogate” agent. Name of agent: _____

_____ I **do not** have an Advance Care Plan or a surrogate decision maker.

Printed Name

Patient Signature

Date

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