



CATARACT CENTER FOR THE ADIRONDACKS

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NOTICE TO CATARACT CENTER FOR THE ADIRONDACKS'
PATIENTS REGARDING:

“ADVANCED DIRECTIVES”

The United States Supreme Court has concluded that you have a constitutional right to be free of unwanted medical treatment. New York law also grants you the right to accept or reject medical treatment, including life-prolonging procedures, such as mechanical respiration and tube or intravenous feeding. New York facilities such as hospitals, nursing homes, and ambulatory surgery centers are required to inform you before you are admitted as to whether or not they will be able to honor your right to accept or reject treatment.

It is the policy of Cataract Center for the Adirondacks to sustain life with extraordinary efforts should the need arise.

All Advanced Directive documents will be rescinded during the time that patients are receiving surgical services. Types of Advance Directive forms include Health Care Proxy Forms, New York State Living Will and DNR orders.

Health Care Proxy forms are offered to all patients.