SUBJECT: Advanced Directives Policy # ADMB.01

PURPOSE: To provide mechanism to address Advance Directives.

POLICY: The Facility does not honor advanced directives such as "Do Not

Resuscitate". If an advanced directive is required, you will be transferred to the next higher care facility. If this is not acceptable to you, you must address this issue with your physician and anesthesiologist. The Facility does not discriminate against an individual based on whether an individual

has executed an advance directive.

PROCEDURE:

- 1. Every patient or their designated health care decision maker has the right to express their wishes regarding resuscitation. However, the above will be instructed of the Facility's policy, upon admission.
- 2. All information pertaining to these issues will be placed in the patient's medical record.
- 3. Life sustaining efforts will be initiated and maintained on all patients following the Facility's Code Blue policy/procedure.