



Living Wills & Advance Health Care Directives

The Florida Legislature has recognized that every competent adult has the fundamental right of self-determination regarding decisions pertaining to his or her own health, including the right to choose or refuse medical treatment or procedures which would only prolong life when a terminal condition exists. This right however is subject to certain interests of society, such as the protection of human life and the preservation of ethical standards in the medical profession. To ensure that this right is not lost or diminished by virtue of later physical or mental incapacity, the legislature has established a procedure within Florida Statutes Chapter 765 allowing a person to plan for incapacity, and if desired, to designate another person to act on their behalf and make necessary medical decisions upon such incapacity.

Please visit:

[Health Care Advance Directives](#) (PDF)

Link to the Florida Agency For Health Care Administration Forms for Living Will, Health Care Surrogate and Anatomical Donation Form.

Consumer Pamphlets

[Do you have a Will?](#)

[Florida Powers of Attorney](#)

The FMA is working with the Florida Bar in an effort to provide information to all Floridians regarding this important issue. Please also visit the Florida Bar Web site at www.flabar.org for additional information.

Do Not Resuscitate Forms

A Do Not Resuscitate Order (DNRO) is a form or patient identification device developed by the Department of Health to identify people who do not wish to be resuscitated in the event of respiratory or cardiac arrest.

Forms are available at the [Florida Dept. of Health website](#), along with frequently asked questions and additional information

