

Berks Center for Digestive Health Policy for Advance Directives

As a service to our patients, information on Advance Directives is available upon request. However, since all of our patients are here for elective procedures the physicians and staff will accept, but not honor Advance Directives. The physicians and staff will use every possible means available to them, including emergency transfer to the hospital to sustain life.

In the event of a transfer to another facility, a copy of the Advance Directive on file will be sent along with the patient's transfer records.

The center manager, anesthesiologist (if applicable), and procedural physician are available to discuss this policy with patients as needed.