

TREATMENT LIMITATIONS & ADVANCE DIRECTIVES

Federal law requires that you have the right to participate in your plan of care and treatment and to refuse treatment. Federal law also requires that you be informed of your right to execute advance directives - that is, to state in advance your wishes with respect to decision making as well as your preferences for the administering or withholding of medical care in the event you are unable to make or communicate a decision yourself.

It is important for you to know that:

The Mountain View Community has a treatment limitation policy. It excludes, without limitation, the following medical procedures from our delivery of care:

- ◆ Mechanical Ventilation
- ◆ Intravenous Nutrition
- ◆ In House Dialysis
- ◆ Nasogastric Tube Feedings

Additionally, Intravenous Therapy is limited to the treatment for temporary or palliative hydration needs and/or to provide intravenous medications for intermittent or palliative use.

Each resident of this facility is responsible to indicate their preference regarding a Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) order. Where a resident indicates a DNR preference an order will be obtained from the resident's physician. A DNR is an order that no CPR will be initiated in the absence of a pulse and/or respiration.

For those residents whose preference is to have resuscitation, Mountain View Community will initiate basic CPR and call for emergency services for immediate transport to the appropriate facility.

If your condition warrants the use of excluded procedures, you have the right to be transferred to a facility which offers these procedures as part of their delivery of care or to refuse treatment and remain at this facility. If you request to be transferred, the Home will make arrangements for transfer immediately. It is important that you understand that in an emergency situation, a significant amount of time may lapse, over which the Home has no control, before the arrival of emergency services and that the Home cannot be responsible for the consequence of such a delay.

The Home recognizes you, the resident, as the primary decision maker in all health care matters. You may include any persons of your choosing in the decision making process. You may execute a Durable Health Care Power of Attorney and/or a Living Will to make decisions in advance of a time when you may not be able to make or communicate decisions yourself.

If you are not competent to make or communicate health care decisions and you have not executed a Durable Health Care Power of Attorney and/or a Living Will, health care decisions will be made by your physician in consultation with your family to the extent allowable by law. The nursing home will seek permanent protection of your interests, in accordance with law, by requiring the person or persons closest to you to seek guardianship or by referring your case to the appropriate protective service agency.

Your care and treatment at Mountain View Community will be provided in accordance with your directives as stated in a Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care and/or a Living Will to the extent that the treatments you request are available at the Home.

The Mountain View Community does not discriminate on the basis of your having executed, or not executed, a Durable Health Care Power of Attorney and/or a Living Will.

You have the right to revoke and/or modify a Durable Health Care Power of Attorney and/or Living Will at any time.

You may request a copy of the facility's written policies and procedures on Advance Directives at any time.

Living Will and Durable Health Care Power of Attorney documents executed prior to June of 1991 are valid documents. However, revisions to New Hampshire law now permit the withholding of artificial nutrition or hydration. You must execute a new Durable Health Care Power of Attorney and/or Living Will to take advantage of these provisions.