

## THE SURGERY CENTER OF SANTA ROSA

2. Required Federal Information
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Dear Patient,

Federal regulations require that we inform you of the following important issues and that we confirm with you that you have received the information.

- **Patient Rights:** Enclosed is a description of the Patient Rights and Responsibilities.
- **Advanced Directive Information (Living will/Healthcare proxy):** The Surgery Center's policy on Advanced Directives is as follows:  
You have the right to make choices regarding life-sustaining treatment, including resuscitative measures. We request that if you have an Advance Directive/Living Will/Healthcare Proxy, please bring a copy with you so we may place it with your medical record if needed in the event of a transfer to another facility. While in our facility, our policy is to **not honor** advance directives based on reasons of conscience, as we expect all patients using The Surgery Center to be reasonably healthy. If there is a need to transfer you to a hospital for additional care measures beyond what our facility can provide, your care needs, including your advance directive will be honored at the receiving hospital upon your arrival. If you do not have an Advance Directive you may obtain more information, including instructions on how to complete one, at your state authority of Advance Directives. Further information may be obtained at the U.S. Living Will Registry 1-800-548-9455 or Dept. of Health Services 1-800-544-0354.
- **Physician Ownership:** Your surgeon may be a limited partner in The Surgery Center of Santa Rosa, which is an affiliate of Surgical Care Affiliates (SCA). Please see the list of Limited Partners enclosed. While The Surgery Center has been recommended for your surgical needs, the choice of where you would like to have your surgery is solely yours. If you would like us or your surgeon to provide you with alternative venues for your surgery, please let us know and we will inform you about other out-patient surgery choices.
- **Notice of Privacy Practices:** The Surgery Center will use and disclose your personal health information to treat you, to receive payment for the care we provide and for other health care operations only. Healthcare operations generally include those activities we perform to improve the quality of care.