PATIENT CONSENT TO RESUSCITATIVE MEASURES

(NOT A REVOCATION OF ADVANCE DIRECTIVES OR MEDICAL POWER OF ATTORNEY)

All patients have the right to participate in their own health care decisions and to make Advance Directives or to execute Powers of Attorney that authorize others to make decisions on their behalf based on the patient's expressed wishes when the patient is unable to make decisions or unable to communicate decisions. Palms Wellington Surgical Center respects and upholds these rights.

However, unlike an acute care hospital setting, Palms Wellington Surgical Center does not routinely perform "high risk" procedures. Most procedures performed in this facility are considered to be of minimal risk. Of course, no surgery is without risk. You will discuss the specifics of your procedure with your physician who can answer as to its risks, your expected recovery and care after your surgery.

Therefore, it is our policy, regardless of the contents of any Advance Directive or instructions from a health care surrogate or attorney in fact, that if an adverse event occurs during your treatment at this facility we will initiate resuscitative or other stabilizing measures and transfer you to an acute care hospital for further evaluation. A copy of your Advance Directives or Healthcare Power of Attorney will be provided to the receiving facility so they may utilize the information contained within to make appropriate decisions in assuming responsibility for your healthcare. Your agreement with this policy by your signature below does not revoke or invalidate any current health care directive or health care Power of Attorney.

If you *do not* agree to this policy, we are pleased to assist you to reschedule the procedure.

Please check the appropriate box in answer to these questions. Have you executed an Advance Health Care Directive, a Living Will or Power of Attorney that authorizes someone to make health care decisions for you?

- ❑ Yes, I have an Advance Directive, Living Will or Health Care Power of Attorney.
- ❑ No, I do not have an Advance Directive, Living Will or Health Care Power of Attorney.
- ❑ I would like to have information on Advance Directives.

If you checked the first box "YES" to the question above, please provide us with a copy of that document so that it may be a part of your medical record.

By signing this document, I acknowledge that I have read and understand its contents and agree to the policy as described. If I have indicated I would like additional information, I acknowledge receipt of that information.

By: _____
Patient's Signature

If consent to the procedure is provided by anyone other than the Patient, the person providing the consent or authorization must sign this form.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand its contents and agree to the policy as described.

By: _____ _____
Signature Print Name

Relationship to Patient: ❑ Court Appointed Guardian ❑ Attorney in Fact ❑ Health Care Surrogate

❑ Other_____