



## FAXing DNR Cards to the e-Directive Registry: Helpful Hints

We are happy to report that to date the WV e-Directive Registry has received over 3,000 advance directive forms, do not resuscitate (DNR) cards, and Physician Orders for Scope of Treatment (POST) forms. The Registry will help to ensure that three factors critical for high-quality care are present in the West Virginia health care system. These factors will 1) prevent errors that could cause harm to patients; 2) coordinate care among health care settings and various practitioners; and 3) ensure that relevant, accurate health care information is available when needed.

After completion of the DNR card, the **ENTIRE** card should be FAXed to the number on the top portion of the card. The **BOTTOM** portion of the card should be kept by the patient. The **TOP** portion of the card may be kept in your facility/office records. Until the Registry is live, we are sending copies of the cards to the Office of Emergency Medical Services to include in the database they have been keeping since the cards were first issued in 1994.

Unfortunately, many of the DNR cards received by the Registry are not legible. If the DNR card is unreadable, it can not be included in the Registry. We would like to make some suggestions to ensure that what you send for inclusion in the Registry is legible. Copy DNR cards on your copy machine and adjust the lightness/darkness or contrast depending on your machine so that the card is readable prior to FAXing it to the Registry. This will ensure that the DNR cards you submit will be "Registry Ready." Remember—if you can't read the copy of the DNR card before you send it to us, we won't be able to read it either.

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