Out of Hospital Do Not Resuscitate

Ordering DNR bracelets

After completing an Out of Hospital Do Not Resuscitate order signed by your physician, it is important to communicate to both pre-hospital providers and the healthcare team the patient’s wishes for “Do Not Resuscitate (DNR)” as ordered by his/her physician. One way to clearly identify DNR Status is for the patient to wear the DNR bracelet at all times while the DNR order is in effect. Emergency Services (EMS) personnel will look for a bracelet. Without the bracelet or the actual DNR written order, EMS is obligated to attempt resuscitation.

Michigan Law Requires the Following be Engraved on Your Bracelet:

The Do Not Resuscitate identification bracelet must be clearly imprinted with the words:

• "Do Not Resuscitate Order"
• Name and address of declarant, and the
• Name and telephone number of the declarant’s attending physician, if any.

State of Michigan OOH-DNR Form (Michigan General Procedures DO NOT RESUSCITATE) can be accessed from this website:

• michigan.gov/documents/mdch/DNR_update_March_14_final_release_453815_7.pdf

DNR Bracelets can be ordered from:

• stickyj.com/category/dnr-jewelry-bracelets/michigan (This website allows one to order DNR bracelets for the state of MI and others with state specific instructions)
• Amazon.com: DNR bracelet (If ordering from this website, make sure the bracelet is engraveable and has the above MI state information on it.)

This handout does not take the place of a discussion with your doctor. Discuss any questions or concerns you may have with your doctor.