

**OLIVE VIEW-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER  
DEPARTMENT OF ANESTHESIOLOGY  
POLICY & PROCEDURE**

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**SUBJECT/TITLE:** 087A-DNR ORDERS IN THE O.R.

**POLICY:** DNR ORDERS IN THE OPERATING ROOM/DURING PROCEDURES

**PURPOSE:** To Provide References (see box below) for patients who have DNR orders.

**DEPARTMENTS:** ANESTHESIOLOGY

**DEFINITIONS:** Guidelines apply to competent patients and also to incompetent patients who have previously expressed their preferences.

**PROCEDURE:** **DNR Orders in the operating room/during procedures:**  
The Department of Anesthesiology will be in compliance with Policies on DNR Orders, including:

- a) Olive View - UCLA Medical Center Policy
- b) California Consent Manual
- c) Guidelines approved by the American Society of Anesthesiologists<sup>1</sup>
- d) Guidelines from the American Medical Association

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REFERENCE: Olive View UCLA Medical Center Policy and Procedure: “Do Not Resuscitate Policy” and the Do Not Resuscitate Orders	
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