

Q1) Do you capture advance directives from your patients on a regular basis in your practice?

Q2) Do you feel that you have been able to do achieve some success in certain aspects of obtaining advance directives from your patients?

Q3) How can we contact you if you have ideas to share?

1. Question 1) No

Question 2) No

I do a poor job getting advance directives. The biggest issue is time. This is not something that can be done quickly. These are life and death decisions. I don't feel like I can rush through the form, and my patients usually have way too many things to discuss that we don't have time for this.

2. Question 1) No

Question 2) No

3. Question 1) No- at least not until recently because we discuss it some at the annual wellness visits for Medicare.

Question 2) No

4. Question 1) No

Question 2) Yes.

Usually discuss current advance directive if patient has one or need to have one at the time of recognition of serious medical condition that may have prognosis of less than 12 months to live or if patient has been diagnosed with progressive cognitive impairment/dementia.

5. Question 1) No

Question 2) No

For a short time, I had my nurse bring up advance directives while she was rooming my older patients, then she or I would give out the form, with explanation, but we almost never got them back. We need a more effective intervention. I'm interested to see what others suggest.

6. I capture the statements with dates: "has an advance directive" or "I discussed AD's with the patient".

7. Question 1) Yes

Question 2) Yes

Question 3) Yes email or call my cell.

8. We do a terrible job on advance directives, but I have hired an RN to do the wellness consult for Medicare patients who will begin doing it as soon as our computer update occurs.

9. Question 1) Sometimes we capture advance directives, our EHR actually has a designated area for the advanced directive. But no prompt or system is in place to get this info.
Question 2) No. As important as it is, it is way down on the list of things we need to get done.