DNACPR Information

Do Not Attempt Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation

DNACPR means that if the person with the form heart and/or breathing stops we won’t attempt CPR

**CPR can involve:**

Pressing down HARD on the patient’s chest repeatedly

A machine to stimulate your heart using electrical shocks

Equipment that helps move oxygen around the body

Medicine administered by injection

**How successful is CPR:**

CPR restarts the heart and/or breathing for 1-2/10 people on average

The success rate is affected by the patients’ health, such as how healthy their organs are, if they have any long-term conditions, frailty etc

The actions in CPR such as chest compressions can cause bruising, broken ribs & punctured lungs

**What does a DNACPR mean:**

A DNACPR means if the patient’s heart or breathing stops Care Staff will NOT try to restart them

A DNACPR is a purple form that the patient MUST always keep on or near them visibly, the form is also recorded online for paramedics to view if an ambulance is called for the patient

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| **A DNACPR FORM REFERS ONLY TO CPR, HAVING ONE IN PLACE DOES NOT STOP ALL OTHER TREATMENT** |

For any questions please ask the care home staff on 01606 331953 or contact the GP practice on 01606 544850