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## **Rice Law offers free legal services creating Advance Health Care Directives at New Hanover Relay For Life**

7 April 2009 — Wilmington, NC — Rice Law, PLLC is offering free legal services to create personalized Advanced Health Care Directive documents at the New Hanover Relay For Life.

Rice Law will be offering free legal services to North Carolinians seeking Advance Health Care Directive documents at the New Hanover Relay For Life on Friday, April 24, 2009, so you can make medical decisions when you're not in a medical emergency and can take the time to decide what directions you want family and medical providers to know in a crisis.

When seriously ill or injured, unconscious or near death, you won't be able to speak for yourself. Advance Health Care Directive documents are used to speak for you regarding: Health Care Power of Attorney and Living Will (also called a declaration of a desire for a natural death). By managing final illness through a Living Will, you instruct medical personnel when to maintain life support, when to terminate life support, and whether you desire them to resuscitate or revive you from death or unconsciousness should you experience a terminal or incurable illness or are in a vegetative state. A Health Care Power of Attorney allows you to name someone you trust to make health care decisions on your behalf, if, in the future, you are unable to make those decisions for yourself.

If you or a loved one is interested in these estate planning documents, Rice Law attorneys will be at the New Hanover Relay for Life on Friday, April 24, to discuss and begin preparing these documents for you as a free service. Those participating in this offer will have access their documents in the Rice Law virtual law office (VLO) on or after May 1, 2009.

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### **About Rice Law, PLLC**

Rice Law, PLLC provides legal counsel in the areas of family and education law. Our attorneys provide full-service representation of clients in Brunswick, New Hanover, and Pender counties. The firm now provides online legal services throughout the State of North Carolina. For more information, visit [www.ricefamilylaw.com](http://www.ricefamilylaw.com).

### **About New Hanover Relay For Life**

The American Cancer Society's Relay For Life is an overnight event that raises cancer awareness and funds for research, education, advocacy, and patient service programs. For more information, visit [www.newhanoverrelay.org](http://www.newhanoverrelay.org).