## **Gifts from your Will or Trust**

A simple way to leave a substantial gift

A bequest is the most common planned gift because of its simplicity, flexibility, and versatility. A bequest allows you to defer a gift until after your lifetime, retain the right to modify your decision should your circumstances change, and ensure your family is protected first. Naming the Winter Haven Hospital Foundation as a beneficiary in your will or revocable living trust may also provide valuable estate tax savings.

You can bequeath a specific asset, a certain dollar amount, or a percentage of your estate (most common) to the Winter Haven Hospital Foundation knowing that your thoughtful foresight will help further our mission in years to come. The flexibility of a bequest allows you to designate your deferred commitment as either spendable or endowed funds, for the Foundation's restricted or unrestricted use, or in honor or memory of a loved one.

If you already have a valid, up-to-date will or trust, you can direct your attorney to prepare an amendment – called a *codicil* – naming us as a beneficiary without having to rewrite your entire estate planning document(s).

For more information, please contact the Winter Haven Hospital Foundation by calling 863-291-6732 or email <a href="mailto:whhfoundation@baycare.org">whhfoundation@baycare.org</a>

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