

## **CONTRABAND/STRICTLY PROHIBITED ITEMS**

**The following items are NEVER authorized for staff, visitors to bring to units, or for receipt by mail for individual patients' possession during their hospitalization.**

Prohibited items are items: (1) that pose an extreme danger to life, (2) that could be used to inflict harm/injury on self or others, (3) relatively low risk items which a creative planner could use to fashion a means to injure self/others or disrupt/circumvent unit security, (4) which compromise patient confidentiality, (5) that have behavior altering characteristics, (6) that could be used to conceal higher levels of contraband, (7) or that the presence of the item would be disruptive to unit functioning.

These items include but are not limited to:

Alcohol (or alcohol containing product – includes mouthwash)	Weapons (guns, knives or potential weapons)
Drug paraphernalia, drugs, any <i>non-WSH prescribed</i> medications (examples: cough drops, cold medicine, aspirin, nutritional supplements)	Electronic recording devices (including telephones, smart watch, any camera device)
Pornography, hate literature (magazines, materials)	Drug use advertisement/encouragement (e.g. t-shirts, posters, jewelry, etc.)
Sharps (any)	Tobacco/tobacco products/lighting materials
Dental floss (roll)	Highly caffeinated beverages (Amp, Vault, Full Throttle, Red Bull, etc.)

## **PROHIBITED ITEMS**

**The following items are authorized for patient possession or access during their hospitalization ONLY with PRIOR approval of the unit treatment team.**

**Direct specific questions to individual unit staff**

Air fresheners	Hair cutting tools/nail clippers/metal file/emery board
Aerosol products (spray cans)	Keys
Appliances	Mechanical pencils, toxic markers
Bags, bookbags (clear permitted)	Metal containers
Bandanas	Pencil sharpener
Batteries	Personal pillows/blankets
Belts	Picture frames with glass
Balloons (helium, latex etc)	Plants
CD/DVD players or cases	Plastic bags
Clothes with cords/drawstrings, soft belts, neck-ties, overall pants, shoe strings	Razors
Clothes hangers (plastic/wood/wire)	Rugs
Coffee, tea (except in custody of unit staff)	Safety pins
Cotton swabs (Q-tips)	Scissors
Decorative Pins	Staplers
Earbuds/headphones	Stolen property
Electronic devices (other than unit approved devices)	Valuables (credit cards, large sums of money)
Eyelash curlers	White-out (correction fluid)
Flashlights	
Glass items &/or containers (inc. vases, mirrors)	
Glue	