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In an effort to keep up with the rapid increase in the number of products available for use in behavioral health facilities, our website products section will be frequently updated and this document will be updated on an annual basis. The date of each edition is on the cover and at the top of each page of the document.

Readers are urged to check: www.bhfcllc.com whenever referring to this document to assure the latest information is being accessed.

November 2019 Edition

The November 2019 edition was extensively reorganized from the previous editions of 2003 through 2018. The major difference is the inclusion of the “*Baseline Considerations*” section. This is intended to simplify and clarify the differences between the various Levels of Risk introduced in the Safety section discussion. The Section for each risk level addresses how that Level differs from the Baseline Considerations.

This document is intended to represent leading current practices, in the opinion of the authors. It does not represent minimum acceptable conditions or establish a legal “standard of care” that facilities are required to follow.

Introduction

This document is intended to address the built environment of the general adult inpatient behavioral health care unit. Additional considerations that are not addressed here are required for child and adolescent patients, patients with medical care needs, dementia patients, and some patients with diagnoses such as substance abuse and eating disorders.

This document is not a replacement for regulatory requirements, but rather augments them to detail practical means of protecting patients and staff. It is intended to represent leading current practices, in the opinion of the authors. It is not intended to represent minimum acceptable conditions and should not be interpreted as establishing a legal “standard of care” that facilities are required to follow.

Please Note: Product information included in this document is intended for illustration of one or more specific items that are deemed appropriate for use in this type of facility. Comparable products by other manufacturers that meet the same design criteria may be substituted after careful comparison.

A Word from the Authors

This Behavioral Health Design Guide is co-authored by Kimberly N. McMurray, AIA, EDAC, NCARB, MBA, Principal of Behavioral Health Facility Consulting, LLC (BHFC Design); James M. Hunt, AIA, Founder and Retired Senior Consultant of Behavioral Health Facility Consulting; and David M. Sine, DrBE, ARM, CSP, CPHRM, president of SafetyLogic Systems. Kimberly McMurray as practice leader for BHFC Design brings an architectural career dedicated to healthcare design, including a period of being on staff at a major academic medical center. McMurray is currently immersed in the daily contact with Behavioral and Mental Health organizations and designers engaged in the process of navigating through today's complex behavioral health environments.

The writing of the Behavioral Health Design Guide is based on our experiences in the field as operators, designers, consultants, and surveyors. Our goal is to share what we have seen that is working and what we have seen that has not worked. Since the document was first electronically published by the National Association of Psychiatric Health Systems (NAPHS) in 2003 we have received and welcomed countless suggestions, recommendations, and comments from users of the Design Guide, which continue to inform and lead us to new discoveries. We are grateful and humbled by how well our suggestions have been received and that they have inspired others to think of new solutions to the inherent challenges of the mental and behavioral health built environment.

We hope this edition of the Behavioral Health Design Guide (formerly the Design Guide for the Built Environment of Behavioral Health Facilities) will meet the expectations of and prove useful to the operators, clinicians and designers who are entrusted with both the care of behavioral health patients and with the environment of care in which those people are cared for and treated. For this point forward in this document, we will refer to the Behavioral Health Design Guide as simply the "Design Guide".

As always, we introduce this edition with the same reminder we used to introduce the inaugural edition in 2003: "*While a safe environment is critical, no environment of care can be totally safe and free of risk. No built environment—no matter how well designed and constructed—can be relied upon as an absolute preventive measure. Staff awareness of their environment, the latent risks of that environment, and the behavioral characteristics and needs of the patients served in that environment are absolute necessities. We also know that different organizations and different patient populations will require greater or lesser tolerance for risk; an environment for one patient population will not be appropriate for another. Each organization should continually visit and revisit their tolerance for risk and changes in the dynamics of the patient population served.*"

As in earlier editions, we have highlighted products we have found to be more safe and able to withstand the rigors of use in the behavioral health care environment. However, inclusion or exclusion of a product does not indicate endorsement or disapproval of that product, nor does it suggest that any product we identify is free of risk. As well, there may be equivalent products available; all facilities should continually look to the marketplace to find products that are safer and more cost-effective.

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Resources

ADA - Americans with Disabilities Act. The Americans with Disabilities Act gives civil rights protections to individuals with disabilities similar to those provided to individuals on the basis of race, color, sex, national origin, age, and religion. It guarantees equal opportunity for individuals with disabilities in public accommodations, employment, transportation, state and local government services, and telecommunications. See www.ada.gov.

CMS - Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. CMS is part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and is responsible for the administration of the Medicare and Medicaid programs. They are currently finalizing their proposed “Clarification of Ligature Risk Interpretive Guidelines”. Text of the draft is available [on their website](#) and at www.bhfcllc.com.

FGI Guidelines - FGI Guidelines for Design and Construction of Hospitals. Published by the Facility Guidelines Institute and is adopted as law by some states and used by some courts as establishing a Standard of Care. Verify edition that may be adopted at any specific location with local Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ). The authors recommend complying with the latest published edition for all projects. This volume includes chapters on free-standing psychiatric hospitals and psychiatric units in general hospitals. Other volumes are available for Outpatient Facilities and Residential Health Care and Support Facilities. For information on purchasing the FGI Guidelines, visit www.fgiguide.org.

HIPAA - Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, 1996. The Office for Civil Rights in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) enforces the HIPAA Privacy Rule, which protects the privacy of individually identifiable health information; the HIPAA Security Rule, which sets national standards for the security of electronic protected health information; and the confidentiality provisions of the Patient Safety Rule, which protect identifiable information being used to analyze patient safety events and improve patient safety. See www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy.

IAHSS - International Association for Healthcare Security and Safety
They publish security recommendations for many types of facilities, including behavioral health.
See www.iahss.org

NFPA - National Fire Protection Association. They publish the NFPA 101: Life Safety Code®, and many other applicable codes and regulations. For more on NFPA or links to new publications, see www.NFPA.org.

NIC - National Institute of Corrections. Some of their standards may be applicable to behavioral health facilities, especially those regarding air grilles. See www.nicic.gov.

TJC - The Joint Commission. There is now free access to a Suicide Prevention Portal on [TJC's website](#). This contains the recommendations of TJC's Expert Panel on Suicide Prevention, related National Patient Safety Goals discussion regarding tools for evaluating the suicidal intention of patients. This is kept updated with the latest information and is available to all without a subscription fee.

More Information on Specific Topics

- **GLAZING: Syroka & Associates, Inc.**
Bob Syroka, CSI - President (www.syrokaandassociates.com)
- **HOSPITAL SECURITY: Healthcare Security Consultants, Inc.**
Thomas A. Smith, CHPA, CPP - President (www.healthcaresecurityconsultants.com)

Glossary

- **Ligature-Resistant:** TJC, in its November 2017 Edition of its *Perspectives* newsletter recommends the term “Ligature-Resistant” over “Ligature-Free” because it is not possible to remove all potential ligature risk points that could be used in a suicide attempt. It defines Ligature-Resistant as, “***Without points where a cord, rope, bedsheet, or other fabric/material can be looped or tied to create a substantial point of attachment that may result in self-harm or loss of life.***”
- **Tamper-Resistant:** For the purposes of this document, the authors use the term “tamper-resistant” to refer to items that are difficult for patients to remove or damage using items to which they typically have access.
- **Safety Risk Assessment:** The *FGI Guidelines for the Design and Construction of Hospitals* (2018 Edition) **Section 1.2-4 Safety Risk Assessment (SRA)** requires that such an assessment, including **Section 1.2-4.6 Behavioral and Mental Health Risk (Psychiatric Patient Injury and Suicide Prevention) Assessment** as described therein be performed for all such facilities.

A Word from BHFC

The **Behavioral Health Design Guide** (Design Guide) addresses the built environment for adult inpatient behavioral health care units and the evolving Design Guide was moved from its former home with the Facilities Guidelines Institute or FGI to its present home on the Behavioral Health Facility Consulting, LLC (BHFC) website, www.bhfcllc.com in 2018. We found this move necessary in order to preserve the independence of the Design Guide and, through affiliate relationships, to provide even more organizations and their members access to a document that addresses leading practice design challenges of the built environment for adult inpatient behavioral health care units.

Some of the elements of the Design Guide, such as the **Environmental Safety Risk Assessment tool**, will continue to appear in the FGI Guidelines for Design and Construction of Hospitals and Outpatient Facilities. This Design Guide provides much more detail and leading practices for protecting patients and staff as identified through the authors' years of practice in the field. The Design Guide is not intended as a replacement for regulatory requirements nor to be employed as a legal "standard of care." Its content is provided to augment the fundamental design requirements for behavioral and mental health facilities and to help providers and design teams develop physical environments that support safe and effective behavioral and mental health services.

As always, we should remind readers that the Design Guide does not discuss the additional concerns that must be addressed when designing behavioral health facilities for child and adolescent patients, patients with medical care needs, geriatric patients, or some patients with diagnoses such as substance abuse and eating disorders. These specialty population needs will be addressed in future editions of the Design Guide and the white papers will be posted on our website at www.bhfcllc.com.

The **Appendix** contains information about products that have been found to be more safe for use in the behavioral and mental health built environment but is in no way a complete list of products available that may be appropriate, while recognizing that no product is entirely without risk. We should also point out that the editors vigorously resist offers to monetize the Design Guide or be compensated by enthusiastic vendors.

The Design Guide is updated annually, and while we trust you will find the latest changes helpful, our goal is to provide updates more frequently through the products section on our website; so please return to our website occasionally to make sure you are referring to the most current Design Guide edition and referencing the latest products.

Thank you for your continued interest in and use of the Behavioral Health Design Guide.

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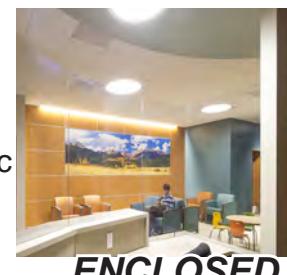
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General Comments

A. Space Planning Considerations

Behavioral and mental health units and facilities are preferred to be designed to appear comfortable, attractive, relaxing and as residential in character as possible. The focus on patient and staff safety has often pushed the aesthetics of these units toward the appearance of a prison environment. To better meet the needs of patients, the final design must avoid an “institutional look” while meeting the array of applicable codes and regulations and addressing the therapeutic and safety needs of patients and staff. These no longer need to be either-or trade-offs. Both safety and therapeutic environment are possible in a well-designed facility that has a non-institutional appearance that is correct for the unique conditions that exist in each facility.

1. The **FGI Guidelines** Section 1.2-4 requires that a Safety Risk Assessment (SRA) be performed to determine the level of risk that is acceptable for both patients and staff in each part of the patient accessible areas of behavioral health units. The SRA Report is vital and must be consulted in reaching all safety related decisions. Refer to the *Environmental Risk Assessment* methodology, ‘Section B’ described in the Design Guide for further discussion and assistance with the development of a SRA.
2. Nurse station designs are preferred to provide the least acceptable barrier between staff and patients. This goal may conflict with staff safety concerns as patients may be able to reach or jump over counters. Some facilities have found ways to design nurse stations that protect against these actions without discouraging conversation and exchange of objects between staff and patients (**See photos at right, note fine vertical lines in the Enclosed photo**). When minimal physical barriers are provided, it is often desirable to include a conveniently located lockable door through which staff can retreat when feeling threatened. **HIPAA** privacy regulations can make use of an “open” design challenging because patient records, electronic or otherwise, must be protected from view by other patients, visitors, and unauthorized staff. However, advancements in electronic medical records have somewhat reduced the need to locate all charting-related activities and spaces in the area behind the nurse station. Since the electronic “chart” can be accessed from many locations, the area around the nurse station can often be used for more patient-centered activities. When a more open nurse station is achieved, other areas where clinical staff can discuss patients without being overheard is needed.
3. Location of gathering areas for patients near the nurse station is encouraged because patients often congregate by the nurse station to socialize. It is far better to plan for this behavior and accommodate it in the original design. Such gathering areas should include comfortable seating and places for conversation, card or board games, and other quiet activities that will not distract staff working in the nurse station. Television



sets and other electronic entertainment equipment is not preferred in these locations. Many facilities are now experiencing issues, especially with younger patient populations, regarding use of personal electronic devices (e.g., iPods, MP-3 players, and similar devices). Patients say these electronics help keep them calm. Wireless earphones are strongly suggested because wires on the earphones can be hazardous.

4. Chart rooms and other staff areas should be located so staff members can have conversations and make phone calls regarding patients and other clinical matters without being overheard by patients or visitors. Teaching hospitals that have a large number of residents and/or students making rounds will need larger spaces for confidential conversations. The expanded use of electronic medical record technology is continuing to change the needs and configurations of these spaces.
5. Facilities for medication distribution should support the organization's practices but allow for flexibility. Medication management has evolved over the years from patients lining up at a window at designated times to staff taking medications to patients wherever they are on the unit. While the trend is strongly toward the latter, some facilities prefer the former or some variation of the two. This practice should be clearly defined in every facility's functional program and safety risk assessment. Flexibility should be designed into the built environment to allow for future changes in how this critical function is provided. Medication rooms and/or zones should also be provided in accordance with the requirements of the **FGI Guidelines** and all other applicable codes, standards and regulations.
6. Where possible, locate service areas (such as trash rooms and clean and soiled utility rooms) so they are accessible from both the unit and a service corridor. This eliminates the need for environmental staff servicing these rooms to enter the treatment areas of the unit and possibly disturb patient activities. All doors to these rooms must be kept locked at all times.
7. Traditional nurse call systems for patients to request assistance from nursing staff are not required in behavioral and mental health units by the **FGI Guidelines**. Significant new developments in duress alarm systems greatly improve safety for staff who find themselves threatened by patients. Sensors located in all patient-accessible areas are activated using a small device that the staff members wear.⁶⁵⁰ Staff may activate the alarm when they feel threatened and want other staff to come. Different alarm products annunciate in different ways, but many provide the exact location of the staff member activating the alarm.
8. All electrical outlets in patient rooms are required by the **FGI Guidelines** to be tamper-resistant, hospital-grade units on ground-fault interrupted circuits. The breakers for these circuits should be located so staff can easily access them without entering patient rooms. This is easy to accomplish in new construction but can be very difficult to achieve in remodeling projects. If receptacles with individual reset buttons are provided, they should be wired so that activation of one receptacle's breaker does not deactivate the entire circuit.
9. Where possible, locate water shut-off valves for patient accessible bathrooms in corridor walls so they can be accessed from the corridor by opening a locked access door. This

has been successfully accomplished during remodeling projects of existing units, as well as new construction projects.

10. Where possible, locate serviceable parts of patient room HVAC systems where they can be serviced without entering the room. In new construction, consideration may be given to radiant heating and cooling systems that greatly reduce the need for mechanical devices in patient rooms.
11. Housekeeping rooms should be large enough to lock away carts when not in use. All cleaning materials must be locked inside these carts at all times when carts are in patient areas or corridors and not attended by staff.
12. Smoking areas (if provided) should be outdoors. Furniture should be securely anchored in place. Provision should be made for staff observation without having to breathe secondhand smoke. No wastebaskets should be allowed in these areas. Indoor smoking is not permitted in most facilities, and many hospitals now have smoke-free campuses.
13. At the time of this writing, the **FGI Guidelines** require patient bedrooms to have a minimum clear floor area of: 1) 100 square feet for single-patient room; and 2) 80 square feet for multiple-patient rooms (Section 2.5-2.2.2.2). FGI indicates the maximum capacity shall be two patients (Section 2.502.2.2.1).

Recent interpretations by FGI indicate the space under the fixed platform bed should be included within the calculation for clear floor area for behavioral and mental health facilities; based upon the significant differences with the function of the patient room in behavioral health as compared to medical and surgical patient rooms. The behavioral and mental health environment, clinical care generally does not occur inside the patient room. Behavioral and mental health patient bedrooms are designed for safety, sleeping and hygiene.

All requirements of these **FGI Guidelines**, the **NFPA 101: Life Safety Code®** (2012 Edition), applicable building codes and local AHJs regulations should be reviewed and carefully followed.

14. The concept of “On-Stage” and “Off-Stage” is widely adopted within medical healthcare facilities and is an emerging consideration for the design of behavioral and mental health facilities, especially in response to the pandemic to limit direct support staff and patient exposures. This concept separates, where possible, patient pathways (on-stage) throughout the facility from materials management food service, clean materials delivery within the facility, as well as staff support areas (off-stage). This separation of support services minimizes noise, disruption, distractions, and patient’s exposure to potential elements that if accessed by the patient could be a safety risk – exposing these elements into areas actively used by patients.
15. Technology and Telehealth Resources in mental and behavioral health setting has significantly increased in both inpatient and outpatient facilities enhancing security, communications, safety (both physical and from limiting exposure to airborne viruses)

and patient care. Security enhances for technology include door control, inventory control, facility monitoring and integration of physiological reporting. Health records and multidisciplinary health team communications include access to continually updated patient records and collaboration by all appropriate members of a patient's interdisciplinary care team; and emerging tele-mental health refers to remote visual/audio communication between the patient and care team professionals. We are currently working with organizations where auxiliary services such as pharmacy are using telehealth resources to meet with patients rather than in person, even when these resources are physically located on campus.

B. Safety

Safety for both patients and staff is a primary concern for all behavioral and mental health facilities.

The level of concern for how the design of the built environment affects the safety of patients and staff is not the same in all parts of a behavioral health unit or facility. The level of precautions necessary depends on the staff's knowledge of the patient's intentions regarding self-harm and the amount of supervision the patient will have while using that part of the facility. Previous editions of this Design Guide have proposed that the level of concern for patient safety in the behavioral health built environment can be separated into five categories (with five being the highest level of concern). The concept is that areas that patients do not enter can be designed similar to other hospitals. Areas that patients will enter have some latitude in design, construction, and what materials can be allowed. The lowest patient accessible areas are spaces that are behind self-closing, self-locking doors and where staff are always present with patients. Much stricter requirements need to be met for areas where patients will be alone for long periods of time with minimal supervision.

These levels are discussed in detail below and illustrated by Exhibit One ***Environmental Safety Risk Assessment*** matrix. Additional discussion and review of this concept of the five risk level system has been confirmed by independent and peer-reviewed research (Bayramzadeh, S, *Health Environments Research & Design Journal* 2017, Vol.10(2) 66-80). A link to this independent research paper can be accessed through our website at www.bhfcllc.com.

Many organizations have adopted this approach of assessing levels of concern based on a functional statement of intended use and have agreed on the level of risk for rooms or spaces with similar occupant functions. However, caution is necessary as some rooms or room functions can fit comfortably into more than one category or sit on a blurry boundary between two categories. As well, the categories do not always anticipate every use of every room. This blurry boundary can result in clinical staff and facility designers basing design choices on assumptions about the use of a room and its corresponding level of concern that may not meet the actual needs of the stakeholders in an operating environment.

For example, a day room may be located within the sight line of a nurse station that "always has staff present." However, if a patient who can't sleep is in the day room watching television

at 2 a.m. and the only staff member on duty is making rounds, the patient may be “completely alone” for a period of time in a space that may contain hazards.

The authors of the Design Guide propose use of an ***Environmental Safety Risk Assessment*** (ESRA) to facilitate conversation between clinical staff and designers regarding patient and staff safety. The ESRA uses a Cartesian matrix to relate an opportunity for a patient to be alone in a space on one axis to a level of risk of self-harm on the other axis. The greater the opportunity for a patient to be alone, the greater the opportunity for self-harm and the greater the caution that should be taken regarding design choices and materials.

Although patient intent for self-harm is often opaque and difficult to assess, in the matrix we have placed “actively suicidal” on the far end of the scale and describe the opposite end as “self-harm not anticipated.” Privacy ranges from close observation (such as “1:1 observation”) on one end of the opportunity scale and the patient “completely alone” on the opposite end.

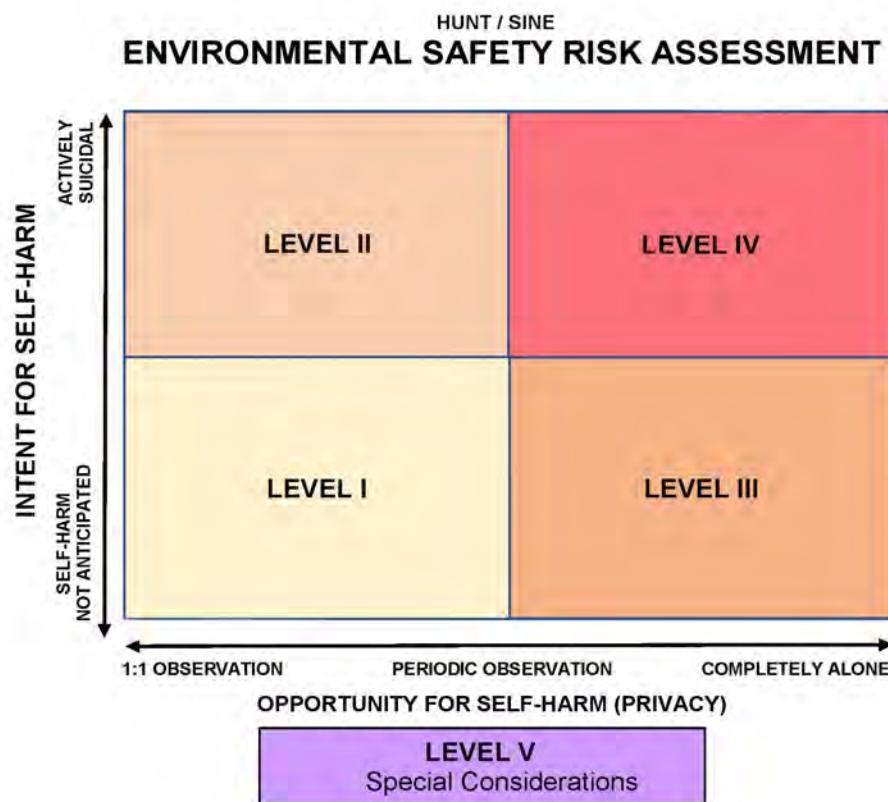
This risk matrix is informed by Veterans Health Administration longitudinal studies that have identified frequent locations of acts of self-harm by inpatients, Joint Commission data, and Richard Prouty’s seminal work on risk maps. Designers and clinicians, rather than seeking agreement on what is meant by the name of a room, may now seek to agree on the actual or anticipated degree of aloneness or privacy a patient will experience in a room or space (independent of its name), and it is that agreement that will drive design choices for the room or space.

For example, a patient bathroom in which the patient is anticipated to be alone and have privacy would be far along the privacy axis. If that assessment intersects far along the patient intent for self-harm axis, the space should be designed with the attributes of a Level IV space as described in this document. In sum, no matter the name of the room, a high level of privacy warrants a high level of concern if it is anticipated that patients who are actively suicidal (or patients with an unknown or unassessed intent for self-harm) are to be treated or housed in that space. While different products may be used for spaces with risk assessments located in the Level IV quadrant of the risk matrix than for spaces in the Level I quadrant, the higher risk locations do not necessarily need to look more “institutional.”

The authors believe the use of a tool such as the environmental safety risk assessment matrix will facilitate necessary conversations regarding patient safety and design between operators, clinicians, and designers. However, the tool is not intended to predict risk levels in a facility, which the authors believe to be dynamic and non-static. Rather, it is intended to encourage dialog and promote a common understanding of the patients designed space is intended for and the risks of that anticipated patient population.

Also note that use of the matrix should not be interpreted as a suggestion that patient privacy is not important or is a risk to be avoided. On the contrary, privacy is generally considered desirable in the behavioral health built environment, although it is associated with a risk that should be considered and mitigated through good design where possible.

EXHIBIT #1 - ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY RISK ASSESSMENT



Level I: Areas where patients are not allowed.

Level II: Areas behind self-closing and self-locking doors where patients are highly supervised and not left alone such as counseling rooms, activity rooms, interview rooms, group rooms as well as corridors that do not contain objects that patients can use for climbing and where staff are regularly present.

Level III: Areas that are not behind self-closing and self-locking doors where patients may spend time with minimal supervision such as lounges, day rooms and corridors where staff are not regularly present. Open nurse stations should be considered under this Level

Level IV: Areas where patients spend a great deal of time alone with minimal or no supervision, such as patient rooms (semi-private and private) and patient toilets.

Level V: Areas where staff interact with newly admitted patients who present potential unknown risks or where patients may be in highly agitated condition. Due to these conditions, these areas fall outside the parameters of the risk map and require special considerations for patient (and staff) safety. Such areas include seclusion rooms and admission rooms.

Construction and Materials Considerations

Each level of concern in the patient safety risk assessment matrix requires increased attention to the built environment to reduce the potential for patients harming themselves or others. There truly is no “one-size-fits-all” solution to the design of these environments. Many factors must be considered and the patient populations, staffing patterns, organizational culture and challenges of the existing built environment are unique for each unit of each facility. The authors suggest the following baseline set of considerations from which the staff of an organization can begin their considerations of what is the best solution for their facilities. The following suggestions may be adjusted to be either more or less restrictive as desired for individual applications.

A. Baseline considerations for patient areas

For the purposes of this document, the Authors have designated the needs of Level III spaces to be the Baseline for suggested conditions. Some items may be somewhat less stringent for Level II areas if such items are consistent with the Safety Risk Assessment as well as TJC and other regulatory requirements. Some items may need additional attention for Level IV and V areas as discussed in their sections.

Blind spots in corridors and other areas where patients cannot be observed from an attended staff station. All unattended rooms are suggested to be locked at all times to reduce the possibility of patients entering them.

1. Openings

a. Doors:

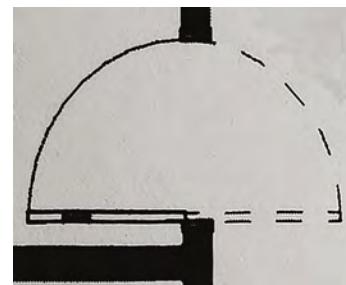
i. Barricade Risks – The direction of swing is very important. Doors that swing into any room which patients may enter can be susceptible to being barricaded by patients. This can be either intentional or accidental (if a patient should lose consciousness and fall against the door). In either case, it can be very difficult for staff to enter the room when needed. If intentional, it can be to attempt self-harm or to inflict harm on a staff member or another patient. This risk can be mitigated in several ways listed below and illustrated on the next page:

- Out-swinging doors
- Double-acting doors
- Wicket doors (door in a door)
- Unequal pair of double egress doors
- Additional door with out swing

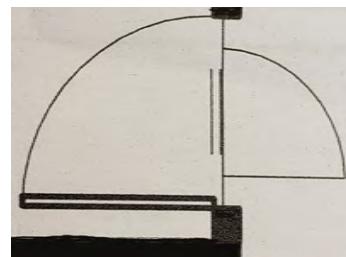
- **Out-swinging Doors** – Doors that are hinged to swing out of the room are more difficult to barricade but may create issues with the Life Safety Code and other building codes by restricting the width of exit passageways. This may be addressed by recessing the door back from the face of a corridor wall which may create an alcove that is difficult to observe. **The FGI Guidelines warn that alcoves are to be avoided (FGI 2.5-1.5.1.1).**
- **Double-Acting Doors** – doors that are hinged to normally swing into a space, but staff may release to swing out of the space is one option to the barricading risk. The hardware needed for this solution is discussed below in the Door Hardware section.
- **Wicket Doors** – These are single in-swinging doors that have a portion of the door that is locked in the closed position and is hinged to swing out of the room. This can allow access to the room if barricading occurs.
- **Unequal Pair of Double Egress Doors** – If there is sufficient length of corridor wall present inside the room, a pair of doors can be provided. The active leaf is normal width and for normal use and is hinged to swing into the room. The inactive leaf is narrower and hinged to swing out of the room when unlocked by staff for emergency access. These can be done with or without a vertical frame member (mullion) between the two doors. Providing the mullion allows less complicated hardware and quieter operation. Not providing the vertical frame member results in additional opening width that is sometimes desirable.
- **An Additional Door** can be provided (preferably out-swinging) that can be used by staff to leave the room or for other staff to enter the room. This can be an effective safety measure. The additional door may be into an adjacent room such as an office if the door is not needed for code compliance reasons. All “additional doors” provided for this purpose will need to be barricade resistant and meet all applicable codes and regulations.



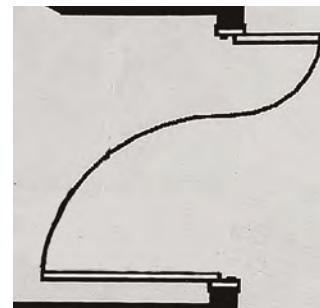
Out Swing Alcove



In Swing - Dbl Act'g



In Swing - Wicket



Unequal Pair

ii. Door Materials – Doors in behavioral health facilities are subject to heavy use and possibly extensive abuse. They make up a significant percentage of the exposed wall surface in corridors and thus have a strong visual impact on these spaces.

- Painted steel doors are durable, easily touched up or refinished, but more institutional in appearance. Doors with wood veneer faces and stain and varnish finish are more “residential” in character but are easily damaged and difficult to repair. Plastic laminate is easily chipped and may yield sharp objects that may be used as weapons and is never advised in these facilities. If existing doors have plastic laminate for exposed surfaces it may be desirable to provide stainless steel kick plates, door edges, and other add-on devices, although these can add to an institutional look. (NOTE: The installation of kick plates may invalidate the fire rating of doors in some jurisdictions.) Kick plates and other protective devices are also available in durable synthetic materials that come in a variety of colors, which soften the stainless-steel look but can still result in a patchwork appearance.
- Durable Synthetic Facing - A possible solution to these issues is doors faced with a durable synthetic that has a wood grain appearance. Some of these doors have removable end caps,^{25a} which can be replaced if they become damaged at much less expense than replacing the entire door. Doors with synthetic faces without the replaceable end caps^{25b} are available for a lower initial cost.

Although the first cost for these synthetic-faced doors is higher than for doors of other materials, they do not require the added expense of finishing the doors and purchasing and installing kick plates, etc. Thus, the life cycle cost can potentially be less than for other doors, and the appearance over time may be a significant improvement.



b. Door Hardware – Hardware on doors that connect to a higher Level of Risk shall have hardware suitable for the higher level of risk.

- i. **Double-Acting Continuous Hinges¹¹³** are preferred and can be used on patient room-to-corridor doors to counteract barricading without the hazard presented by pivot hinges. These continuous hinges can be paired with full-height emergency stops¹¹⁵ that lock in place and can be easily unlocked to allow the door to swing into the corridor.
- ii. **Geared-Type Single -Acting Continuous Hinges¹¹¹** are a solution for retrofit frame conditions at doors patients will pass through and normally locked doors that have hinges exposed in patient accessible areas because they minimize possible attachment points. These hinges are available from various manufacturers with a “hospital tip” (factory installed closed-sloped top) and continuous gears that resist ligature attachment.¹¹¹ Field cutting the top of hinges to create this slope is strongly discouraged because that often exposes voids that may be used as ligature attachment points.

Geared continuous hinges do provide significant pinch points between the two leaves of the hinge when the door is closed. If this is not an acceptable risk to an organization, double acting continuous hinges that do not have this pinch point¹¹³ can be provided.

- iii. **Wicket Doors⁴⁴** use single acting continuous hinges with hospital tips for the main door and the center portion is mounted on a continuous hinge with hospital tip (or concealed) hinge and secured with a deadbolt lock that has no visible hardware on the room side of the door. Care should be taken with the detail of the edge of the smaller panel so that a crack is not provided that can be seen through and is smoke tight if required.

- iv. **Unequal Pair of Double Egress Doors** - both doors may be mounted on single acting continuous geared hinges with hospital tips. The lock-set can be the same as any other single-acting door. If the mullion is not provided, a deadlock with concealed bolts that engage the head of the door frame (and possibly the floor) is needed for the smaller inactive leaf. This deadlock is similar to item #143b except that it is preferred to not

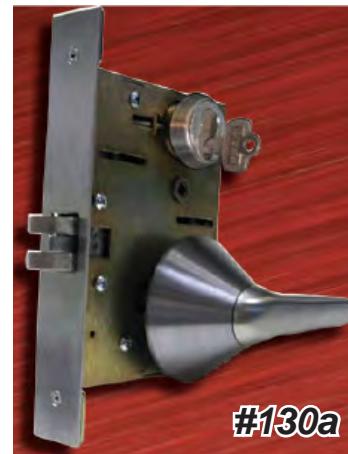


have any visible hardware on the room side of the door. If the mullion is provided, a deadbolt that does not have any exposed hardware on the inside can be used to secure the door into the mullion

v. **Closers** – See Level II

vi. **Lock-sets** – Use of some type of ligature-resistant lock-set is recommended for all door handles in patient-accessible areas. A lock-set handle can be used for ligature attachment in three ways: pulling down, pulling up and over the top of the door, and tying something around the latch edge of the door using both the inside and outside handles (transverse). The latchbolt itself has even been used successfully as an attachment point and some companies offer a tapered bolt to help with this. The downside to the tapered bolt is that it makes it easier to open a locked door by using a small piece of cardboard or other item. Also, the opening behind the strike plate can be a ligature attachment point; for this reason, a box should always be provided behind the strike plate. In our opinion, the perfect solution for this dilemma does not exist at this time. Several of the better options are discussed below.

- Lock-sets with a Lever Handle¹³⁰ – These effectively reduce the level of risk of up and down pressure but are susceptible to transverse attachment. The lever should move freely in both directions when locked to reduce ligature attachment risks. This type of handle is more typical (less institutional) in appearance and operation than other choices. Both of these qualities are very desirable in items that patients will touch and use on a regular basis. However, lever handles may be susceptible to transverse attachment as mentioned above.
- Crescent Handle Lockset¹³⁶ – This type of lock-set has a lever handle and thumb turn that are ligature-resistant and may meet ADA requirements. It is available with a handle that can be mounted in either horizontal or vertical position and allows the user's hand to easily slip off the free end.
- Push/Pull Hardware – This type of door handle is available with a flush push pad on one side and a ligature-resistant pull handle on the other.^{137b}



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- Modified Lever Handles¹³¹ – These provide minimal ligature attachment risk but have an unusual appearance and operating motion. They are available in various designs.

- i. **Elopement Buffers** (generally called sally ports) – The 2018 Edition of the **FGI Guidelines** calls for the “*primary access point to the locked unit to be through a sally port*” (Section 2.5-2.2.1.2). The Appendix for this section states that a sally port has two doors (or two sets of cross-corridor doors) that are electrically interlocked¹⁴⁴ and “the sally port should be long enough and the door wide enough to accommodate passage of a bed or laundry cart.”
- ii. **Access Control of Elopement Buffers** (sally ports) and other entry/exit points from a locked unit, including stairways.

The Safety Risk Assessment should state whether normally locked unit exit doors are going to automatically unlock when the fire alarm is activated (fail safe operation) or remain locked when the fire alarm is activated (fail secure operation). This determination should be reviewed with the local code authority for compliance with local regulations.

- Provide intercom (or telephone) for communication to staff stations from outside the unit if needed.
- Electronically controlled access systems are preferred for sally ports. These may be operated by a switch at the nurse station if the door is clearly visible from the location of the release button. (Care should be taken to assure that patients are not in the area when the door is released.) Card readers or keypads adjacent to the door are also commonly used. These are readily available from hardware suppliers and are often extensions of systems already in place at the facility.
- Metal Detectors⁶⁶⁰ – Some organizations have expressed the desire to use metal detectors to assist with screening patients and/or visitors entering their behavioral health facilities. Some choose to use hand-held detectors and others use standard walk-



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through detectors. These are addressed under Section #10 Electronic Safety.

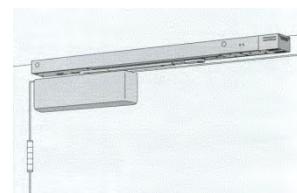
iii. Cross-Corridor Doors – These doors are provided for several reasons, and each has its own unique function and requirements. Some are part of code required fire rated partitions and normally held open and others are to restrict patient or public access and normally locked and may automatically unlock when the fire alarm is activated (fail safe operation) or remain locked when the fire alarm is activated (fail secure operation).

- When there is concern that electromagnetic locks may not be sufficient to hold these doors when impacted by patients, concealed deadbolts with the electric release in the lever handle¹⁰⁹ (or card reader) or electric strikes (for single doors) may be provided. Electronically controlled access systems are preferred.
- Door closers may be required or desired for these doors depending on their purpose and function. Doors that will be held in the open position will probably have an exposed arm that should be acknowledged in the Safety Risk Assessment as a known risk that the staff needs to be aware of.
- Magnetic hold-open¹⁰¹ devices where required or desired for doors that are to be normally open and must close when the fire alarm is activated and are suggested to be as discussed below.
- Hinges for these doors are preferred to be continuous geared hinges with hospital tips. Pivot hinges are discouraged because the top pin is presents a serious ligature attachment risk.



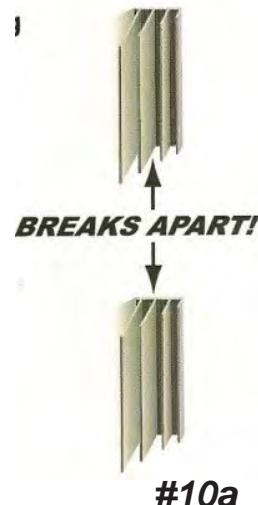
iv. Hardware for other unit doors

- Doors for which applicable codes and regulations require a closer but that need to be open to allow staff observation of patients are preferred to be provided with a closer that has a built-in release¹⁰¹ that allows the door to close automatically when the fire alarm is activated. The more standard magnetic hold open devices that are separate items provide ligature attachment risks and are less desirable.



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- Doors that swing into rooms that patients will enter, are strongly suggested to have one of the barricade-resistant methods discussed above.
- v. **Door Smoke Seals** – These may be required in some situations and are often applied with adhesive strips that can allow patients to remove them to use as ligatures. Smoke seals that break into 8"- long pieces¹⁰ are preferred for use on all doors that patients will pass through. These are available from several manufacturers.
- vi. **Door Hardware** for patient use toilet and shower room doors that open into patient accessible areas other than patient bedrooms are suggested to have the following:
 - Full-size, tight-fitting doors
 - Out-swinging geared continuous hinges with hospital tips or double acting hinges with emergency release stops
 - Ligature resistant handles and storeroom function locks
 - Closers that are either concealed or not mounted on the toilet or shower room side of the door.
 - Over door alarms



vii. **Over Door Alarms** - The top of all tight-fitting doors provides a pinch point that allows a patient to tie a knot (in a sheet, the leg of a pair of jeans, or other object), place it over the top of the door, and close the door to create a hanging device. One way to reduce this risk is with a pressure-sensitive or photoelectric device placed near the top of the door that will sound an alarm¹⁵⁰ when activated. The door bottom can also present a risk if the “gator roll” technique is attempted. One product will detect this also.



c. **Windows** - When glazing that is exposed in patient-accessible areas is broken it needs to stay in the frame and not yield sharp shards that patients could use as weapons. Terminology can be confusing in that laminated glass like that used in vehicle windows is often referred to as “safety glass” but, when broken, can yield large sharp pieces. All

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glazing materials that are exposed in all patient accessible areas should be considered, including the exterior surface of windows accessible from exterior courtyards to be used by patients.

The 2018 edition of the **FGI Guidelines** contains the following reference to window testing:

2.5-7.2.2.5 Windows...

- (1) *Windows located in patient care areas or areas used by patients, including the exterior pane of windows accessible by patients for outdoor courtyards, shall be designed to limit the opportunities for patients to seriously harm themselves by breaking the windows and using pieces of the broken glazing material to inflict harm to themselves or others.*
 - (a) *All glazing (both interior and exterior), borrowed lights, and glass mirrors shall be fabricated with polycarbonate or laminate on the inside of the glazing or with any glazing that meets or exceeds the requirements for Class 1.4 per ASTM F1233: Standard Test Method for Security Glazing Material and Systems.*
 - (b) *Use of tempered glass for borrowed lights shall be permitted.*
- (2) *To prevent opportunities for suicide, self-harm, and escape, the entire window system and the anchorage for windows and window assemblies, including frames and glazing, shall be:*
 - (a) *Designed to resist impact loads of 2,000 foot-pounds applied from the inside*
 - (b) *Tested in accordance with AAMA 501.8-13: Standard Test Method for Determination of Resistance to Human Impact of Window Systems Intended for Use in Psychiatric Applications. Where operable windows are used, hinges and locking devices shall also be tested.*

Advances in different types of safety glass (see “Glazing” below in this section) make it worthwhile to consult an expert for advice for a specific project.

- i. **Exterior Windows** – The height above the ground, patient population, and many other factors should be taken into account in choosing these materials. Comply with the **FGI Guidelines** and all applicable codes and regulations for glazing, frame installation and operable sash.

In locations where the building’s prime window does not meet the requirements of the **FGI Guidelines**, an additional layer is sometimes provided inside of the prime window to provide the required protections.

- ii. **Interior Windows** - These do not have the same concerns of falling from heights as exterior windows, but breakage concerns are similar. Careful attention should

be paid to fire-rated partitions and all applicable building and fire code regulations as well as the ***FGI Guidelines'*** requirements listed above.

Some facilities prefer to use painted hollow metal window frames for these windows because they have rounded corners and aluminum frames often have very sharp corners.

d. Operable Windows – Windows in all patient-accessible areas should comply with all applicable codes and regulations for operable sash. Where operable windows are provided, they should be equipped with sash control devices that limit the opening to 4 inches per the ADA 4" ball test and that, where required, can be released to full opening using a key for evacuation purposes. Window systems are also available that allow fresh air⁶¹ through a vent at the bottom or by sliding the window open a few inches.

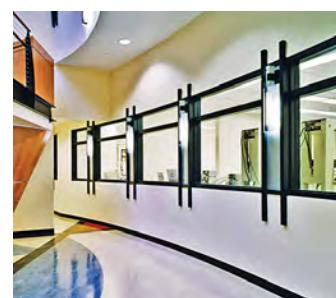
e. Glazing - (Interior and Exterior) –

- i. **Standards** – All glazing in patient-accessible areas should be security glazing as discussed in the ***FGI Guidelines'*** subparagraph “c” above.
- ii. **Impact-Resistant Glass Products** – Several glass manufacturers²⁰⁰ offer products that may be appropriate for use in behavioral health facilities. The products chosen will vary depending on the size of the opening, type of frame, patient population being served, and location of the glazing in the unit (as determined by the patient safety risk assessment) including the distance the opening is above grade. We suggest contacting manufacturers directly to determine which products may be appropriate for a specific project.

- Fire-Rated Glass²⁰⁵ – Clear fire-rated glass products are now available in a variety of types and ratings and some are rated for impact resistance.
- Glass-Clad Polycarbonate Glazing²⁰⁰ – Two layers of heat-strengthened glass are bonded to a polycarbonate core. This combination keeps the broken material in the frame and reduces patient access to shards of glass that could be used as weapons and is usually available in 7/16" and 9/16" thicknesses. This type of product has been known to



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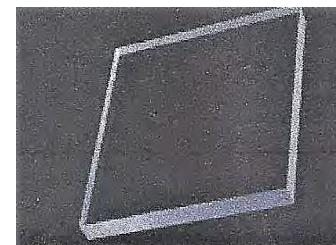
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be available for lower cost than polycarbonate glazing for some projects.

- Heat-Strengthened Glass – Although more difficult to break than regular float glass, heat-strengthened glass has about half the strength of tempered glass. Heat-strengthened glass may be a good choice if it is laminated and high-impact resistance is not required for the location.
- Polycarbonate²⁰¹ (Lexan) – Polycarbonate panels are highly impact-resistant and available in a variety of thicknesses from several manufacturers. These products will deflect upon significant impact near the center of large panels that can result in large pieces coming out of their frames. Care should be taken to assure that the depth of the stop securing the panel will be able to hold it when subjected to this and other impacts. This material is also highly susceptible to scratching and is a frequent target of patients who write profanity and draw pictures. Mar-resistant coatings are available, but they do not eliminate this concern. Recent projects have indicated this may be the more expensive than glass-clad polycarbonate products.
- Security Film – If replacing existing glass is cost-prohibitive, applying a window film security laminate¹⁹⁰ to existing glass may be an alternative. Although these films are susceptible to scratching and defacement by patients, they may be removed and replaced at less cost than replacing glass or polycarbonate panels. The manufacturer's installation instructions should always be carefully followed including any impact-protection adhesives and a perimeter attachment system needed to hold the glass in the frame if broken. In our opinion, claims that these window films will prevent glass from breaking should not be relied upon.
- Tempered Glass – This may be acceptable for use in some patient-accessible areas such as small windows in doors, portions of glass walls separating activity rooms from corridors, and patient toilet room mirrors. Tempered glass is more impact-resistant



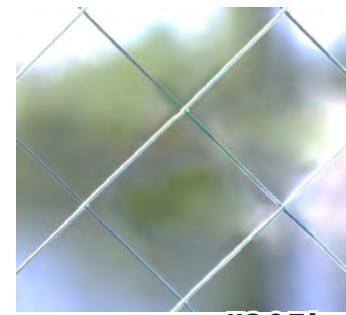
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than float glass or laminated glass but will break into many small pieces and fall out of the frame, which may allow a patient to elope. As well, each piece may have sharp edges. Patients have been known to break tempered glass mirrors and rub the inside of their wrists on the broken surface to cut themselves or swallow the small pieces of glass. This hazard may be reduced by covering the tempered glass with a security film as described above.



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- Laminated/Heat Strengthened Glass²⁰⁰ - Two layers of heat-strengthened glass bonded to a Sentry Glass Plus (SGP) interlayer, which helps the glass stay in the frame when broken.
- Wire Glass – Standard wire glass will break and yield sharp shards of glass and is generally not permitted by many current codes and regulations. There are new wire glass^{205b} products that are rated for both security and fire by their manufacturers that may be considered. Verification with local AHJ is always recommended before purchasing new products.

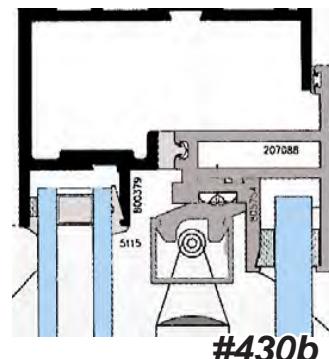


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f. Window Coverings –

- i. **Mini-Blinds** – Mini-blinds mounted behind safety glass²⁰⁰ are preferred because the blinds are not accessible to patients. Care should be taken to assure that any exposed devices for controlling the tilt of the blinds do not create a potential ligature attachment point. Some commercially available window assemblies have all these features.⁴³⁰ Exposed mini-blinds are discouraged because they provide access to long cords, wands and slats.
- ii. **Roller Shades**⁴⁴⁰ – Roller shades specifically manufactured for use in psychiatric hospitals are another option.

These have enclosed security roller boxes, security fasteners, cordless operation, and locking devices that resist tampering by patients may be acceptable for some patient populations. If access to these blinds by patients is deemed not acceptable by the Safety Risk Assessment, electrically operated standard roller blinds may be installed behind security glazing.



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- iii. **Electrically Obscured Glazing**²²¹ is becoming more reasonably priced and is an option for controlling privacy as long as the glazing material meets the requirements of the **FGI Guidelines** for glazing in patient areas.
- iv. **Curtains and Curtain Tracks** – Curtains and associated tracks of any type (including those designated as “breakaway” and represented by their manufacturers as “safe for psychiatric hospitals”) are NOT recommended for use in any patient-accessible areas, especially patient rooms and patient showers.



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2. Finishes

- a. **Gypsum Board** – Abrasion-resistant and impact-resistant gypsum board^{230, 231} hung on 20-gauge or heavier metal studs spaced no more than 16 inches on center is typically considered minimum construction for these areas. Sound-deadening gypsum board²³² is available to help reduce noise levels from traditional hard surfaces. Consult manufacturers regarding the characteristics of the material determined most appropriate for a particular installation. These products are available from several manufacturers.

A painted finish is preferred because it is easy to repair and the cost of renewing or changing colors to keep up with current trends is relatively low. Also, painted finishes help create a residential or home-like ambiance while still meeting institutional requirements.

- b. **Ceilings** – Ceiling heights lower than nine-foot-high are discouraged because it is easy for patients to reach them and tamper with the ceilings and ceiling-mounted devices. Ceiling heights of nine feet and above are not immune from tampering and must be evaluated in the Safety Risk Assessment for each area of each unit.
- i. **Tamper-Resistant Ceilings** are preferred for all areas of a behavioral health facility. If sound attenuation for gypsum board ceilings is desired, sound absorbing gypsum board²³² may be used or 1'x1' acoustic tile can be adhered to the gypsum board.
 - ii. **Access** - Where accessibility to mechanical, electrical, and communication equipment is needed, The Joint Commission's November 2017 Edition of Perspectives

(modified by subsequent FAQ's also published in later editions of Perspectives) currently allows unsecured lay-in ceiling to be used under certain circumstances. As of this writing, the authors are not aware of any manufacturer who produces hold-down-clips that are specifically recommended for use to limit patient access above the ceiling. Systems relying on hold-down clips always result in the last tile being placed not being secured unless some form of locked access panel is provided to allow installation of the clip on the last tile.

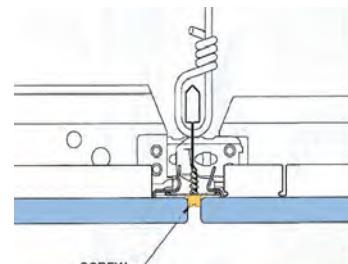
iii. Existing Ceiling Grid System - There are several tamper-resistant solutions that can reuse the existing ceiling grid system and may be less expensive than typical gypsum board ceiling installation that may be considered:

- Remove existing ceiling tile and install specialty 2'x2' metal ceiling panels²³⁹ with tamper-resistant screws in the recessed joints to resist removal. This system will allow access at any point and is available in sound absorbing models.
- Remove existing ceiling tile and install special clips²³⁴ that are made to fit over existing grid members that are at least intermediate grade steel system (not aluminum). Then attach 5/8" thick sound absorbing gypsum board ceiling (mud and tape joints – paint) to these clips. Lockable access panels will be required at all necessary locations. It may be necessary to support light fixtures, etc. independently of the existing grid to avoid overloading the carrying capacity of the existing grid.

b. Wall Base – Use of thin, flexible rubber or vinyl baseboards that are applied only with adhesive and are intended to cover the joint between the wall and floor is strongly discouraged. These become prime targets for patient tampering and can be used to conceal contraband.

There are several alternative choices for base material and installation that may offer less risk:

- i. **Seamless epoxy flooring**²⁵⁰ that has an integral coved base is an option as long as there is no metal or plastic edge strip on the top of the base.



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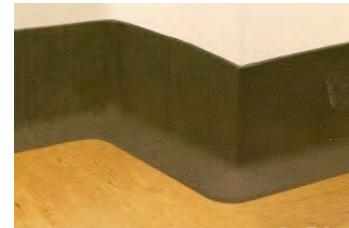


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ii. A premolded base²⁴⁰ that extends onto the floor plane, finishes flush with the top of the floor tile, and is heat-welded to the flooring may be acceptable in some locations. However, use of this product does not address the issue of hiding contraband unless the top edge is sealed with a pick-resistant sealant.²⁰



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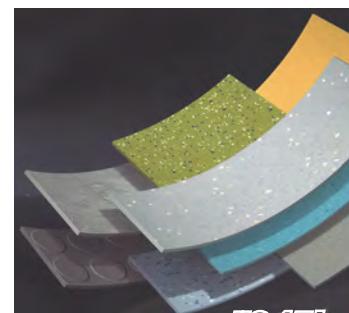
iii. Wall and Floor A thick rubber base that resembles wood base profiles²⁴¹ is available and provides a more “residential” appearance. All joints to the and all vertical joints should be sealed with a pick-resistant sealant.²⁰



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iv. Wood Base - in some cases, a wood base with a minimum $\frac{3}{4}$ " thickness that is adhered to the wall, secured with countersunk tamper-resistant fasteners, and sealed with pick-resistant sealant²⁰ has been used successfully. If desired, this can be given a semi-transparent stain finish to provide more of a residential look.

b. Flooring – Carpet²⁵⁵ or sheet vinyl²⁴⁵ meeting class A rating should be used. Avoid patterns and color combinations that may appear to “animate”, abrupt contrasting color changes that could appear as objects that need to be stepped over or other visual misperceptions by patients. Anti-microbial sheet carpet (formerly called “broadloom”) with solution-dyed yarn and moisture-resistant backing²⁵⁵ is effective in reducing ambient noise and generally works well in these facilities. This is available from most major carpet companies. Sheet vinyl²⁴⁵ or other hard surface material is preferred where wet or potentially messy activities will be conducted.



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c. Abrasion Resistant Coatings²⁸⁰ – Any areas where excessive wear is anticipated, such as corridors and seclusion rooms without wall padding may be coated with paint materials that have more resistance to abrasion and possible abuse.

3. Specialties

a. Signage – Room Signs³⁰⁰

i. Flexible Room Signs are available that are applied with adhesive and will not provide a weapon to patients



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if removed. These can include braille lettering and meet ADA requirements.

- ii. **Rigid room signs**^{300d} that are installed with multiple tamper-resistant screws are more difficult to remove and also can include braille lettering to meet ADA requirements.
- b. Corridor Handrails** – may not be required in behavioral health units but may be indicated as needed by the Safety Risk Assessment because of needs of the patient population being served having equilibrium issues due to medication side effects or other reasons. If these are provided, there is a choice between leaving the anchors for the rail exposed (which creates ligature attachment point opportunities) and providing a solid filler between the rail and the wall (which helps reduce ligature attachment points and creates a place for trash to collect and can be an infection control cleaning problem). The “correct” answer for any given section of railing will depend on the facility’s Safety Risk Assessment and the amount of observation of the specific location.

- c. Wall Protection** – Large sheets of durable wall protection material are available in solid color finish or with a wide variety of printed artwork.³²⁰ However, the standard vinyl trim pieces that come with this material are not recommended for use in behavioral health applications. Rather, the edges of the material are suggested to be tightly fitted together and sealed with pick-resistant caulk.²⁰

d. Toilet Accessories – See Level IVb

e. Mirrors and Domes:

- i. **Mirrors** - Glass-laminated polycarbonate mirrors in ligature resistant wood frames³⁶⁰ offer an option with a residential appearance and are scratch resistant. (See also Level IVb-3f for toilet room mirrors)
- ii. **Observation Dome Mirrors** – Convex mirrors installed in corridors, seclusion rooms, and other patient-accessible locations to assist with observation of patients are preferred to be made of a polycarbonate that is a minimum of 1/4" thick, filled with high-density foam, and have a heavy metal frame that fits tightly to the wall and ceiling.⁴²⁰ Convex mirrors made of polished steel are also available. The perimeter of the mirror is recommended to be sealed with pick-resistant caulking.²⁰



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- f. Pick-Resistant Caulk** – Pick-resistant caulking²⁰ is strongly suggested for all joints between objects and surfaces that do not fit tightly and may provide opportunities for patients to hide contraband, attach ligatures or grip items to remove them. It is preferred that this material not set up hard (like epoxy) but remain pliable and be able to move with its substrate over time. Verify compatibility with all adjacent materials before application.



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- g. Paper Trash Receptacle Liners** - Coated paper liners¹ are strongly suggested for all trash receptacles to which patients have access including large receptacles in dining and activity spaces. Paper liners with rope handles may present ligature risks. Plastic liners should be prohibited because of the risk of suffocation.



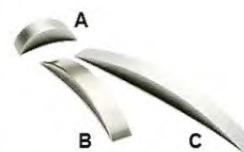
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4. Furnishings

- a. Built-in Cabinets** - (securely anchored in place)

i. **Cabinet Doors** -

- All cabinets that contain items that patients are not to have access at all times they are present in the space are strongly suggested to have lockable doors.
- Cabinets that contain items that patients are allowed to access at all times they are in the space are strongly suggested to not have doors and to have shelves that are securely fixed in position to resist both upward and downward pressure. Adjustable shelves are discouraged because they are easily removable and may be used as weapons.



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- ii. **Cabinet Pulls** – These are suggested to be recessed, with no protruding openings, or of a closed ligature-resistant type.⁴⁶⁰

- iii. **Cabinet Locks** – These are very important in all patient-accessible areas. Cabinets used to store items that patients could use to harm themselves or others should be kept locked at all times when patients are present. This can lead to staff constantly looking for

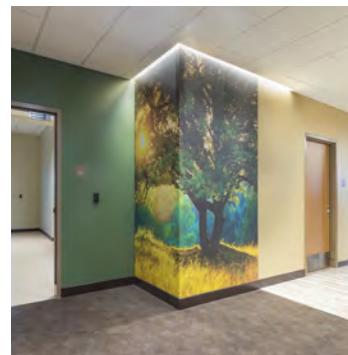


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the right key on a large key chain. One solution is to provide locks that can be unlocked with a key that staff already carry, such as the key used to activate the fire alarm. Another solution is to use existing key access cards or a pushbutton keypad.⁴⁶⁵ These are becoming more affordable and should be particularly helpful in examination/treatment rooms and any locked cabinets in patient rooms.

b. Decorative Crafts - Pictures and Artwork – All pictures and artwork in patient-accessible areas must be given special consideration:

- i. **Murals** – These can brighten and add interest to corridors and day rooms and have been used very effectively in some facilities. It is usually a good idea to cover them with at least two coats of a clear sealer for protection, but patients typically enjoy these and defacing them is not usually a problem. Murals are also available on wall vinyl and wall protection materials.
- ii. **Wall Protection** – Large sheets of durable wall protection material are available with a wide variety of printed artwork.³²⁰ However, the standard vinyl trim pieces that often come with this material is not recommended for use in behavioral health applications. Rather, the edges of the material could be tightly fitted together and sealed with pick-resistant caulk.²⁰
- iii. **Frames** – Specially designed frames⁴⁷⁶ that slope away from the wall and have polycarbonate²⁰¹ glazing are recommended. The frames that are screwed to the walls with a minimum of one tamper-resistant screw⁴⁷⁰ per side are preferred to provide a tight fit to walls which may have uneven surfaces. The joint at the top is suggested be sealed with a pick-resistant sealant.²⁰ Some of these frames allow for easy replacement of the images and provide the opportunity for patients to customize the displays with personal photos, etc.
- iv. **Printed Flexible Vinyl** – Another option is to print artwork on flexible vinyl³⁰¹ that can be attached to walls with low-tack adhesive or regular wall vinyl adhesive for more permanent installations. This method reduces the risk of patients obtaining harmful materials. The low-tack adhesive used on smaller images makes it easier to change the art displayed on a seasonal or other basis and allows hospitals to offer patients a choice of artwork



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to display in their rooms, giving them some control over their environment.

c. Seating - Furniture used in behavioral health facilities is preferred to be easily cleaned, easily reupholstered, very sturdy, and as heavy as possible to minimize the likelihood of patients throwing chairs, tables, etc. Where indicated by the Safety Risk Assessment, furniture is suggested to be securely anchored in place or weighted to resist stacking or barricading of doors. Closed arms and legs are preferred to resist attachment of ligatures and breaking into items that could be used as weapons.⁴⁸² Upholstered lounge chairs with arms⁴⁸² that resemble typical residential furniture are generally preferred, but polyethylene rotationally molded⁴⁸³ and sand-ballasted seating is now available with a less institutional look. The health care organization should select furniture appropriate for the patient population served and the location on the unit for which it is intended.

Where movable seating is needed (e.g., dining and activity rooms), very lightweight polypropylene chairs⁴⁸⁰ that resist breaking into sharp pieces are preferred. An alternative is a chair that can be partially filled with sand (or otherwise have weight added) to make it difficult to throw or use as a weapon.⁴⁸⁰

Comfort Rooms and other lounge areas may have specialty or chaise lounges⁴⁸²ⁱ or bean bag^{481d} type seating that are manufactured without zippers and with very durable materials and seams.

Rocking motion has long been believed to be soothing and several companies now offer specially designed seating that allow a rocking motion.⁴⁸³ Care should be taken to realize that it is not uncommon for unauthorized movement of furniture from a low-level risk area to a higher risk area of a unit to occur. This may result in unintended risks being created.

All upholstery and foam used in furniture should have



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flame-spread ratings that comply with the requirements of Section 10.3 of **NFPA 101: Life Safety Code®** and all other applicable codes and standards.

d. Furniture:

- i. **Tables for dining and activities** are available with enclosed legs⁴⁸⁵ and provide less opportunities for ligature attachment. These are usually either center pedestal or "X" base style. Both can be weighted down with sand to reduce the chance that they can be picked up and thrown but can still be movable. A range of styles and shapes of tops are available for both types.
- ii. **End tables and coffee tables** are available in enclosed cubes or drums^{485c} and other configurations that are also ligature resistant and can be weighted.
- iii. **Shelving units** for items to which patients will have free access are suggested to be sturdy, have open shelves that are fixed in place (not adjustable) and securely anchored in place. The tops of taller units are suggested to be sloped to resist storage and anchored to resist them being tipped over.



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5. Fire Suppression

- a. **Fire Sprinkler Heads** - Institutional heads⁵²⁰ that are ligature-resistant are preferred.
- b. **Fire Extinguisher Cabinets** - All fire alarm pull stations and all fire extinguisher cabinets⁵²¹ are suggested to be locked (with approval of all applicable code authorities). All staff on duty must carry keys for these at all times. These keys should be provided with a red plastic ring or other means of providing quick identification. In addition, fire extinguisher cabinets are preferred to have continuous hinges, recessed pulls (if any), and polycarbonate glazing if view windows are provided.



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6. Plumbing Fixtures and Fittings

- a. Toilet Fixtures** – Patient accessible toilets are always considered Level IV and V areas and are addressed in those sections.
- b. Sinks –**
 - i. **Standard Stainless-Steel Sinks** may be permitted if that is consistent with the organization's Safety Risk Assessment and are suggested to be designed into recesses with doors or roll-down shutters that can be locked when staff are not present.
 - ii. **Bathroom Sinks** are addressed in Level IV and V sections.
 - iii. **Hand-washing Sinks** for staff that are in patient accessible areas are suggested to be specially designed units. See subparagraph "h" below.
- c. Showers** - Patient accessible showers are only permitted in Level IV and V areas and are addressed in those sections.
- d. Faucets** – Patient use faucets are primarily inpatient bathrooms and are addressed in Levels IV and V. Faucets in activity and similar rooms are addressed in Levels II and III.
- e. Flush Valves** - Patient accessible flush valves are permitted only in Level IV and V areas and are addressed in those sections.
- f. Water Stations** – Ligature-Resistant Drinking Water Stations⁵⁸⁹ – Drinking fountains are often required or desired in common spaces on units. Typical drinking fountains can be problematic for ligature and infection control reasons but requiring patients to ask staff every time they want a drink of water can rank high on patient dissatisfaction surveys.

To address this issue, consider use of water cup-filling stations in patient-accessible areas. Several options are available for cup-filling stations⁵⁸⁹ that have either local or remote refrigeration units, in both wall-mounted and counter-top styles.



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they should be covered with lockable panels⁵⁹⁰ or panels attached with tamper-resistant screws. These should be removed only to address the medical needs of the current patient and replaced when that patient is discharged or moved. Special care must be taken in areas where other patients may be present to assure that access to the medical gases does not present a safety risk to them also. Some manufacturers offer lockable covers for outlets.

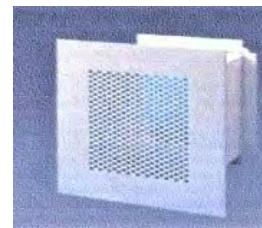
- h. Staff Hand-washing Stations** - Staff Hand-washing stations⁵⁴⁵ for patient accessible areas are now available that provide less risk than standard fixtures. These are recessed and have integral soap dispensers and air dryers to eliminate the need for separate dispensers which may also provide risks. All hand-washing sinks that are accessible to patients need to be ligature-resistant.



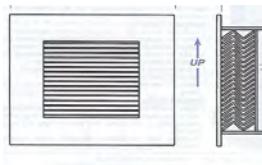
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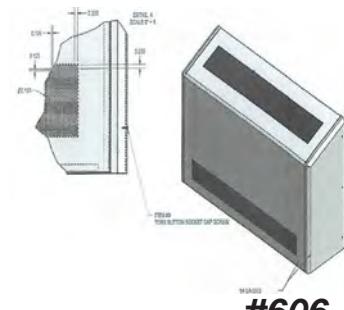
- a. Diffusers, Registers and Grilles** - Grilles with small perforations⁶⁰² or with “S” shaped vanes⁶⁰⁰ that comply with the National Institute of Corrections standards and are secured in place with tamper-resistant fasteners are generally acceptable in patient accessible areas if allowed by the Safety Risk Assessment.
- b. Where existing fan/coil units** (as well as fin-tube heaters or old-style radiators) are present in patient accessible spaces, they are strongly suggested to be protected with vandal-resistant covers.⁶⁰⁶
- c. Thermostats** – Existing pneumatic or electric thermostats may be acceptable for use in patient accessible areas if allowed by the Safety Risk Assessment. If they are found to be problematic, there are covers available to reduce the risk of patients tampering with them and gaining access to small parts which they could use to harm themselves or others. However, sometimes these covers draw more attention to the thermostats and encourage tampering. If these become an issue or are an identified risk in the Safety Risk Assessment, consideration could be given to relocating the thermostats to return air ducts or use of aspirating or thermistor units that are mounted behind a stainless-steel cover that is flush with the wall.⁶⁰⁷



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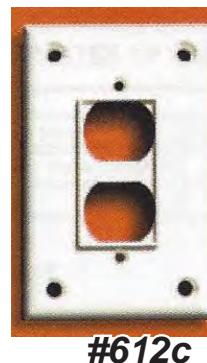


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8. Electrical

a. Electrical Devices:

i. **Receptacles** - In new construction or major remodeling, the **FGI Guidelines** require a dedicated circuit for all electrical outlets in each patient room and bath. This will allow power to the outlets in a specific room to be turned off if necessary for a patient's safety. Control of each circuit should be located where only staff have access. Where this is not practical in an existing facility, the outlet may be temporarily covered.



ii. **FGI Guidelines** also state that all electrical outlets in patient rooms and patient toilet rooms be a hospital-grade, tamper-resistant type. Use of GFCI receptacles⁶¹⁰ is also preferred to reduce the risk of patients being able to harm themselves by tampering with the receptacles. Arc-fault devices are available and may be provided if required by the Safety Risk Assessment for the patient population being served.



iii. **Cover Plates** - All electrical device cover plates (for switches, receptacles, blank cover plates, etc.) must be attached with tamper-resistant screws.⁴⁷⁰ Cover plates made of polycarbonate⁶¹² materials are preferred; polycarbonate cover plates must have screws in each corner to make them rigid enough to resist bending and protect patients from access to electrical wiring and contacts. Nylon cover plates and ones marketed as "unbreakable" are typically not sturdy enough to resist tampering by patients. Standard stainless-steel cover plates that fit tightly to the wall and are rigid may be acceptable for many patient populations if allowed by the Safety Risk Assessment. These may be secured with a single tamper-resistant screw in the center as long as it is securely tightened. The tightness of these screws and fit to the wall is suggested to be included in regular safety rounds documentation.

b. Light Fixtures:

i. **Tamper-Resistant** - All fixtures that can be reached by patients are suggested to be a tamper-resistant type⁶²⁰ and have minimum ¼"-thick polycarbonate (clear or prismatic) lenses⁶³⁴ securely fixed in the frame with covers that are firmly secured with tamper-resistant

screws⁴⁷⁰ and fit tightly to the ceiling surface. Many such fixtures are now available with LED light sources.

- ii. **LED** - Advances in LED technology have resulted in new options for light fixture designs that can help reduce the institutional character of these spaces. The authors strongly encourage the use of these options and discourage the use of 2'x2' and 2'x4' light fixtures in all patient accessible locations. Our preference is for using linear, round or oval vandal-resistant fixtures for general illumination and recessed security downlights with polycarbonate lenses or small individual reading lights.
- iii. **Color Temperature** - The availability of tunable lighting (ability to adjust the color temperature of the light source) is encouraged as is the use of circadian lighting systems.
- iv. **Glass Components** that could be accessed by patients are discouraged for use in any fixture. Use of table lamps or desk lamps are also strongly discouraged. Neither incandescent light bulbs nor fluorescent tubes should ever be accessible to patients.
- c. **Exit Signs - Lighted Exit Signs⁶⁴⁰ or Photo-luminescent Signs⁶⁴²** – These are suggested to be vandal-resistant and installed tight to the ceiling with a full-length mounting bracket to avoid use as a hanging device. Mounting these signs on a wall so they are perpendicular to the wall is not recommended because it leaves the top exposed as a possible attachment point.



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9. Communications

- a. **Telephone Sets** - Telephones located in corridors or common spaces for patient use should have a stainless-steel case,⁶⁴⁵ be securely mounted to the wall, and have a non-removable shielded cord of minimal length (as approved by the Safety Risk Assessment) with cable tether inside the shield. They may be equipped with or without touch pads for placing outbound calls. Some organizations have a switch installed in a staff area to deactivate patient use phones at times when patients are not allowed to make calls.

Some facilities are now providing cordless phones for patient use.



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- b. Duress Alarms** – Patient to staff injuries are a significant concern in many facilities. One way to address this (other than designing the unit to eliminate locations where staff may become isolated with a patient and become trapped) is to provide some type of personal duress alarm system⁶⁵⁰ that staff members can wear and activate when needed. It is preferred that these systems provide information on the location of the staff member when the alert is sent. Some of these can interface with other systems that may already be present in the facility and even use existing wi-fi systems for connectivity.



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10. Electronic Safety

- a. Metal Detectors** - Some organizations have expressed the desire to use metal detectors to assist with screening patients and/or visitors to their behavioral health facilities. Some choose to use hand-held detectors and others use standard walk-through detectors. Organizations considering metal detection solutions may want to investigate ferrous metal detection systems⁶⁶⁰ that sense the presence of ferrous metal in objects such as razor blades, syringes, lighters, cell phones, knives and guns. These systems will not detect drugs or other nonferrous metal contraband items.



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11. Exterior Improvements - Outdoor Areas

- a. Enclosed courtyards**, fenced areas adjacent to a treatment unit, or an open campus are considered to have great therapeutic benefit. Because levels of staff supervision for patients using outdoor areas may vary widely between facilities, or even between different groups using the same space at different times, the need for supervision should be carefully reviewed by management early in a design and construction project. The final design for outdoor areas must respond to the acuity and assessment of the most acute patients using the area and the planned staffing levels for each patient population.



- b. Fencing** - Climbable fences can permit, if not encourage, unauthorized access to windows and roofs or elopement over walls. Buildings, walls, or fences may be used to establish clear boundaries and impede elopement to a

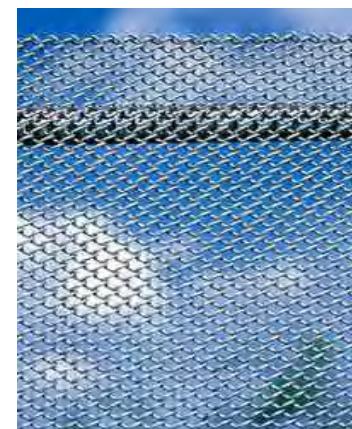


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degree appropriate to the patient population being served. Some behavioral health organizations are comfortable with a perimeter enclosure that is not particularly difficult to climb and simply make elopements a treatment issue if the patients return. Other organizations have a very high need to reduce elopements to the extent possible. Where this is the case, designers may tend to create enclosures that have a very prison-like appearance. If views to the distance are not required, one approach is to treat the outdoor areas as meditation gardens with solid masonry walls that have a smooth interior surface and are 12 to 14 feet high.



- i. **Top Fence Protection** - One facility installed large diameter (22"-24") plastic pipe on top of the wall to make it difficult for patients to get a grip on the top surface. This pipe can be painted to match the color scheme of the building and provides a much less institutional appearance than concertina wire. If views to the distance are desired, "windows" glazed with polycarbonate²⁰¹ or security glass²⁰⁰ may be provided in these walls. These view panels should not have sills or cross bars that could provide toeholds for climbing.
- ii. **Fence Material** - Another option is installation of a fine mesh chain-link fence fabric.⁶⁷⁵ This fabric, which comes in a range of sizes down to as small as 3/8" openings, makes the fence more difficult to climb and has openings that are too small for most bolt cutters. When installing such material, fence posts and rails must be strong enough to support the fabric and the wind loading it will add. In at least one instance, a patient successfully climbed a mini-mesh fence, so it is suggested a section at the top be angled inward to further increase the difficulty of climbing at the cost of increasing institutional appearance.
- iii. **Maximum security fencing**,^{675b} which has a very prison-like appearance, may be selected for some facilities with involuntarily admitted patients. However, it is suggested that the use of less institutional-looking solutions be explored before deciding to use this type of material.
- iv. **Enclosed Courtyard** - Where portions of the building walls will enclose exterior courtyards for patient use, these walls should not be easily climbable, especially if they are only one story high. Windowsills, rain gutters, and similar features may support efforts to climb walls



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to gain access to the roof. The exterior surface of all windows patients can access from exterior courtyards must have security glazing,²⁰⁰ polycarbonate glazing,²⁰¹ or security window film,¹⁹⁰ as described under Level II-D.

- c. Outdoor Furniture** - In all cases, careful consideration should be given to exterior furniture used by patients. All outdoor furniture⁵¹⁰ is suggested to be firmly anchored in place. This will resist the furniture from being moved to create barricades or stacked to allow climbing over fences, into windows, or onto buildings. Many types of commercially available furniture can be anchored or are made of concrete or other heavy materials.
- d. Plant Materials** - Shrubbery should be non-toxic and low-growing. Avoid planting shrubbery close together as it can create visual barriers that patients or unauthorized visitors may hide behind. Landscape mulch or decorative rocks that can be thrown to injure staff or other patients should not be used. Trees should be located away from buildings, walls and fences to reduce ease of access to roofs or getting over fences.
- e. Area Drains and Manhole Covers** - All manhole covers, access panels, and area drain grates should be anchored firmly in place to discourage easy removal and use as weapons and to make it difficult for patients to enter the underground piping.
- f. Public Areas** - All areas surrounding patient use buildings, areas where staff will walk or escort patients at night, and courtyards should be well-lighted. Exterior lights should not shine directly into patient room windows. Parking areas for staff and visitors should be well-lighted and reviewed regularly for design features that encourage personal and property security. While security is generally beyond the intended scope of this document, closed-circuit television monitoring and video surveillance recording of these semi-public areas, where there is no expectation of privacy, should be considered.

B. Level I

Areas where patients are not allowed:

All items do NOT need to comply with Baseline conditions but are suggested to meet the following:

1. Comply with all applicable codes and regulations.
2. All service areas should be locked at all times to reduce the possibility of patients entering these spaces.
3. Hardware on doors that connect to a higher Level of Risk (accessible to patients) shall have hardware suitable for the higher level of risk.

C. Level II

Areas behind self-closing and self-locking doors where patients are highly supervised and NEVER left alone which could be counseling rooms, activity rooms, interview rooms, group rooms, exam rooms, as well as corridors that do not contain objects that patients can use for climbing and where staff are regularly present:



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All items same as Baseline with the following exceptions:

Our understanding of The Joint Commission's recommendations at the time of this publication is that the conditions identified in the “**Baseline Considerations for Patient Accessible Areas**” above may be revised as stated below in Level II areas. It is strongly suggested that these revisions only be made after careful consideration and if these variations are consistent with the organization's Safety Risk Assessment. The Safety Risk Assessment should identify all standard items that typically are not allowed on inpatient behavioral health units that are present in rooms that are defined as Level II in this document.

An examination room is required by the FGI Guidelines. When the exam room is located on the unit, the equipment in these rooms present potential risk; therefore suggested to be designated as a Level II with self-closing and self-locking doors. The room is suggested to be large enough to allow several staff to physically manage the patient. If possible, a staff member should not be in the room alone with a patient.

1. Openings

a. Doors - Barricading considerations discussed in Baseline section above are highly recommended for doors to all rooms that patients will enter.

b. Door Hardware:

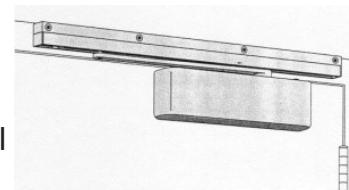
i. **Self-Closing Self-Locking** - All unattended counseling rooms, interview rooms, exam rooms and other rooms patients may enter only when staff are present are suggested to have self-closing and self-locking doors.

ii. **Storeroom Function** - For Level II rooms to comply with the SRA definition calling for self-locking hardware, are suggested to have “storeroom” function lock-sets with which the doors will always be locked from the outside when closed and latched. The inside lever will always be free.



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iii. **Closers** are needed for Level II rooms which TJC requires to have self-closing and self-locking doors and that staff must ALWAYS be present when patients are in the room. They may be required for other doors by building and life safety codes or because the staff want to assure that a particular doors are not accidentally left open for operational reasons. Where provided, concealed closers^{100a} that have the closer and the track both completely contained in the



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head of the door and frame offer the least amount of ligature attachment opportunity (the arm is only exposed when the door is open). However, these require special preparation of the door and frame and are difficult and expensive to provide in existing conditions. Where concealed closers are not practical, it is suggested that surface mounted track closers^{100b} be provided and located on the side of the door that either patients are not allowed (Level I spaces) or where the closers are most observable by staff.

2. Finishes

- a. **Ceilings** – Our understanding of current TJC recommendations is that accessible lay-in type ceilings are acceptable in Level II spaces if that is consistent with the organization's Safety Risk Assessment.
- b. **Wall Base** – Standard surface applied thin vinyl or rubber base may be acceptable if that is consistent with the organization's Safety Risk Assessment.

3. Specialties

- a. **Kitchen Equipment:** (Same as Level III except may not need to be lockable if acceptable under the Safety Risk Assessment.)

4. Furnishings

The use of furniture that is lighter weight, easily movable and that has obvious opportunities for ligature attachment in Level II rooms may be acceptable to TJC and can be considered for use if it complies with the findings of the Safety Risk Assessment performed by the organization.

The health care organization should select furniture appropriate for the patient population served and the location on the unit for which it is intended. Care should be taken to realize that it is not uncommon for unauthorized movement of furniture from a low-level risk area to a higher risk area of a unit to occur. This may result in unintended risks being created.

- a. **Seating** - Open arms and legs on un-weighted furniture that is not securely fixed in position may be acceptable if consistent with the Safety Risk Assessment. High-quality wood, steel or plastic chairs for use at tables may be more standard products. Upholstered lounge chairs⁴⁸² that resemble typical residential furniture are generally preferred.
- b. **Tables** may be more typical style⁴⁸⁵, have individual legs at the corners and be easily movable to accommodate a range of uses and activities; consideration for weighted tables for Level II areas.
- c. **Bookcases and Cabinets** - Same as Baseline except as may be allowed by Safety Risk Assessment for areas behind self-closing and self-locking doors as discussed above.



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6. Plumbing Fixtures and Fittings

- a. **Toilet Fixtures** - Level IV and V areas only
- b. **Sinks** – Standard stainless-steel sinks may be permitted if that is consistent with the organization's Safety Risk Assessment, but caution is recommended.
- c. **Showers** - Level IV and V areas only
- d. **Faucets** - Standard goose-neck faucets and standard valve handles may be permitted in activity and similar areas that are consistent with the organization's Safety Risk Assessment, but caution is recommended.
- e. **Flush Valves** - Level IV and V areas only
- f. **Medical Gases** - Not typically present in Level II areas

7. HVAC

- a. **Diffusers, Registers and Grilles** – Standard products may be acceptable if that is consistent with the organization's Safety Risk Assessment. Products consistent with Level III suggestions are recommended.
- b. **Thermostats** – Standard products may be acceptable if that is consistent with the organization's Safety Risk

Assessment. Products consistent with Level III suggestions are recommended.

8. Electrical

a. Electrical Devices: Standard products of this type may be acceptable if that is consistent with the organization's Safety Risk Assessment.

b. Light Fixtures –

- i. **Standard products** may be acceptable if that is consistent with the organization's Safety Risk Assessment. Products consistent with Level III suggestions are recommended.
- ii. **Covers⁶³⁰** are available for existing (or new) downlights that are secure and make the appearance more residential in nature.
- iii. **No glass components** should be exposed to patients in any fixture and use of table lamps and desk lamps is strongly discouraged.

c. Exit Signs - Standard products may be acceptable if that is consistent with the organization's Safety Risk Assessment. Products consistent with Level III suggestions are recommended. The mounting bracket suggested to be full length of the fixture.

d. Security Lighting - Standard products may be acceptable if that is consistent with the organization's Safety Risk Assessment. Products consistent with Level III suggestions are recommended.



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D. Level III

Areas that are not behind self-closing and self-locking doors where patients may spend time with minimal supervision such as open lounges, day-rooms and corridors where staff are not regularly present. Open nurse stations are suggested to be considered under this Level because there may be incidents where staff will not always be present in these spaces:



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All items shall be the same as Baseline with the following exceptions:

3. Specialties

a. Kitchen Equipment: (Typically Levels II and III only) -

All cooking appliances (ranges, microwaves, coffee makers, etc.) should have key-operated lockout switches⁶¹¹ to disable the appliance. If these and other appliances, such as refrigerators, have open handles that could be used as ligature attachment points, and they are in areas where patients have unsupervised access to them, provisions should be made to close them off with overhead coiling doors or other means.



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- i. Patient access to coffee should be carefully considered in each facility's Safety Risk Assessment (SRA). If access to this (and other potentially scalding liquids) is allowed, an insulated plastic dispenser should be located so it is readily observable by staff. Glass coffee pots should never be available to patients.
- ii. All garbage disposal units should have a key-operated lockout switch⁶¹¹ to disable the device.
- iii. All receptacles located near sources of water, including sinks, as well as all patient-accessible receptacles must be GFCI-protected as required by applicable codes.

b. Television Set Enclosures (Typically Levels II and III only) -

Television sets should not be mounted on walls using exposed brackets because of the ligature risk this presents. Rather, all TV sets should be installed in built-in TV or media centers or manufactured tamper-resistant covers with sloped tops.²⁹⁰ Some facilities prefer to also have an isolation switch that staff can control. For maximum safety, the electrical outlet and cable TV outlet should be located inside the cover to keep the wires and cables away from patients.



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4. Furnishings

The health care organization should select furniture appropriate for the patient population served and the location on the unit for which it is intended. Care should be taken to realize that it is not uncommon for unauthorized movement of furniture from a low-level risk area to a higher risk area of a unit to occur. This may result in unintended risks being created.

- a. Seating** - Closed arms and legs on furniture that is weighted or is securely fixed in position may be preferred when consistent with the Safety Risk Assessment. High quality plastic chairs for use at tables may be acceptable. Lounge chairs with upholstery⁴⁸² that resemble typical residential furniture and meet the criteria above are generally preferred.
- b. Tables**⁴⁸⁵ are suggested to not have individual legs at the corners and be weighted or anchored in place to resist being thrown or stacked.
- c. Bookcases and Cabinets** - Same as Baseline.



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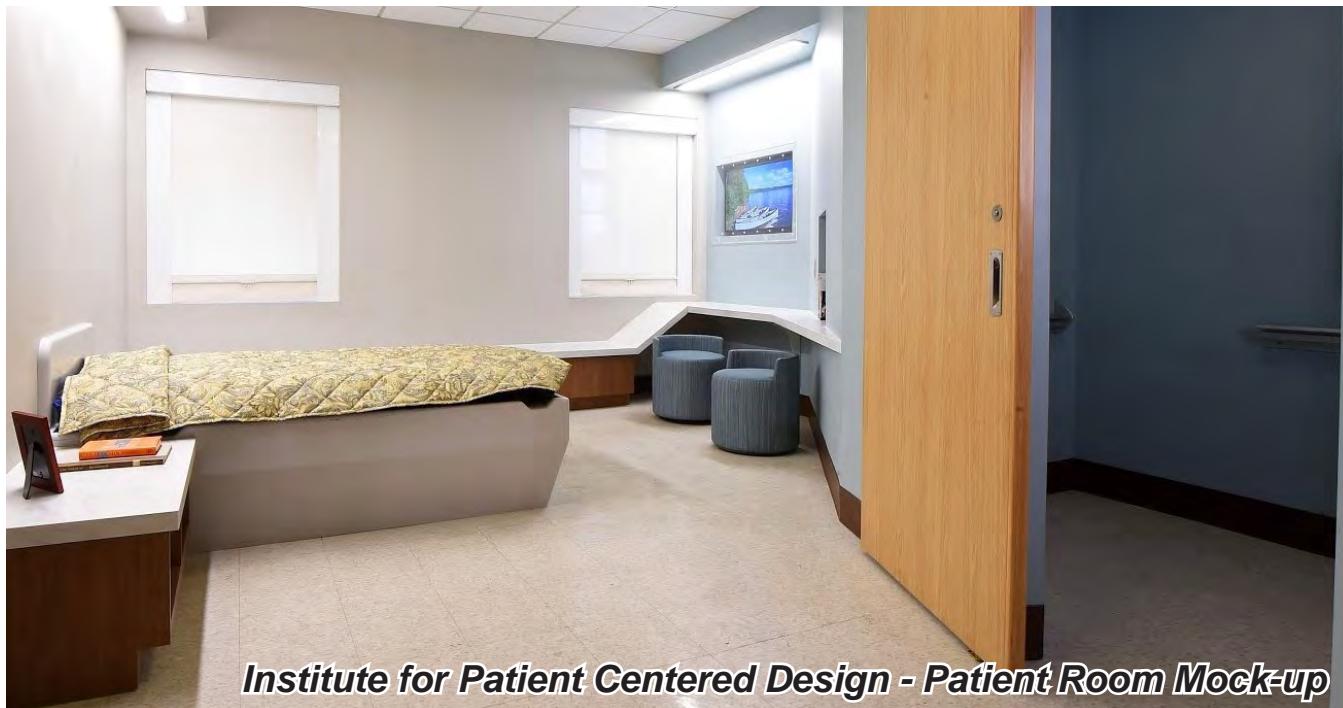
6. Plumbing Fixtures and Fittings

- a. Toilet Fixtures** - Not permitted in Level III areas
- b. Sinks** – Standard stainless-steel sinks may be permitted if that is consistent with the organization's Safety Risk Assessment, but caution is recommended.
- c. Showers** - Level IV and V only
- d. Faucets** - Standard gooseneck faucets and standard valve handles may be permitted if that is consistent with the organization's Safety Risk Assessment, but caution is recommended. In Level III areas consideration is suggested to locating these sinks behind lockable doors or roll-down shutters that are closed and secured when staff are not present.
- e. Flush Valves** - Level IV and V only
- f. Medical Gases** - Level IV and V only
- g. Diffusers, Registers and Grilles** - Standard grilles are not recommended in Level III areas. Grilles with "S" shaped vanes⁶⁰⁰ are preferred.

E. Level IV

Areas where patients spend a great deal of time alone with minimal or no supervision:

Level IV-a. Patient Rooms



Institute for Patient Centered Design - Patient Room Mock-up

Architect winning design competition: HDR, Omaha, NE - Photographer: VA Photo, Scott R. Snell

All items shall be the same as Baseline with the following exceptions:

1. Openings

a. Doors:

- i. **Patient Room Doors** continue to be one of the most frequently used items in suicide attempts in these facilities. This is verified in **TJC's** "Incidence and Method of Suicide" study dated July 2018.

Barricade resistant strategies discussed in the Baseline section are strongly suggested to be used in these locations.

- ii. **Abuse** - These doors also frequently receive abuse and use of the more durable synthetic faced doors²⁵ in these locations will help retain their appearance.

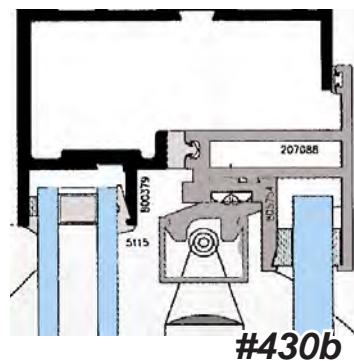
b. Door Hardware:

- i. **Handles** on lock-sets are especially important on these doors. Careful consideration of the risks involved in compliance with the Safety Risk Assessment is strongly suggested.
- ii. **Hinges** need to be carefully coordinated with the barricade resistant solution selected and over-door-alarm system, if provided. These need to be thought of as an assembly, not separate parts that can be put together in any combination.
- iii. **Over-the-door alarms**¹⁵⁰ are strongly suggested for patient room to corridor doors. Since the building and life safety codes require these doors to be tight-fitting for smoke and other reasons, the top of these doors is one of the attachment points most frequently used in suicide attempts. The bottom of doors can also present a risk if the gator roll technique is attempted. One product will detect this also.
- iv. **Locks** - Some facilities have begun to address the desire of some patients to lock themselves in their rooms to avoid unwanted entrance by other patients. The challenges with this are to provide individual security for the patient without restricting staff access to the room. Options include lock-sets with specialized locking functions and ligature-resistant turnpieces¹⁴⁰ that cannot be held from inside the door to resist a key being turned to unlock the door. A cylinder protector¹⁴¹ to cover the lock cylinder on the corridor side of the door resists attempts to insert objects in the key-way. Card access technology is also available to control these locks.

- c. **Windows:** – Advances in different types of safety glass make it worthwhile to consult an expert for advice for a specific project. The height above the ground, patient population, and many other factors should be taken into account in choosing these materials. Comply with the FGI Guidelines and all applicable codes and regulations for glazing, frame installation and operable sash.



If replacing windows presents a prohibitive cost in remodeling work, a security screen with a very sturdy steel frame⁸⁰ designed to resist deflection and equipped with multiple key locks and a heavy-gauge stainless steel screen fabric⁸¹ may be used. These are functional and secure but create an “institutional” appearance and can be defaced by writing obscene words with toothpaste (or other material). Patients have also been known to use the rough surface of the screen fabric to abrade their skin



- i. **Exterior Windows** - Mini-blinds⁴³⁰ or roller blinds⁴⁴⁰ behind safety glazing is strongly suggested for these rooms. Ligature resistant control of the blinds can either be by staff only or by both patients and staff as indicated by the Safety Risk Assessment.
- ii. **Interior Windows** – The provision of view windows between patient rooms and corridors is usually discouraged for patient privacy reasons. The use of windows (either in doors or walls) as a method of performing routine patient checks at night is discouraged because it is often very difficult to observe the patient sufficiently. If these windows are provided, it is strongly suggested that they have either mini-blinds²²⁰ between Security glass or glass that can be made opaque electrically.²²¹ Either type of control is preferred to be by staff only to restrict patients’ ability to peek in on other patients.
- iii. **Operable Windows** – These are not usually required in patient rooms but may be provided if desired by using products that reduce the risk of elopement and passing of contraband⁴³⁴ (if on the ground floor).
- d. **Glazing** – Security glazing²⁰⁰ is strongly suggested for these rooms.
- e. **Window Coverings** – See Baseline



2. Finishes

- a. **Walls** – Impact and/or abrasion-resistant gypsum board²³⁰ installed on minimum 20-gauge metal studs spaced no more than 16 inches on center; paint finish preferred. Sound-

attenuating gypsum board²³² may also be used on walls if approved by the manufacturer for use in behavioral health applications.

- b. Ceilings – The FGI Guidelines** currently require “monolithic” ceilings in all patient bedrooms, bathrooms, bathing facilities and seclusion rooms. Their definition of this term virtually requires the use of solid gypsum board^{230, 232} ceilings.

These monolithic ceilings are suggested to have key-lockable access panels³⁰ that fit tightly to their frames. Larger sizes of these panels, may require tamper-resistant screws in the corners or along the sides of the panels. Pick-resistant caulk may be needed if the flanges of these panels do not fit tightly to the ceiling or wall surface.



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Other tamper-resistant systems²³⁹ discussed in Baseline section do not appear to meet this definition.

- c. Wall Base - See Baseline**

- d. Flooring – See Baseline:** If some patients are prone to urinate on the floor, provide some rooms with seamless epoxy²⁵⁰ or sheet vinyl flooring with an integral cove base. Metal or plastic strips should not be applied at the top edge of the base. Use of a system that eliminates the need for trim strips^{250c} is recommended.

- e. Special Wall Surfacing –** Wall protection panels³²⁰ are sometimes used in these areas, but the use of plastic or metal trim strips are strongly discouraged.

3. Specialties

- a. Cubicle Curtains and Tracks –** These are not recommended for use in behavioral health facilities because of the risk they present. If non-ambulatory patients with co-existing medical conditions are being treated on these units, it is recommended they be assigned to single-patient rooms.

4. Furnishings

a. Seating:

- i. **Desk chairs** are preferred to be lightweight⁴⁸¹ or ballasted⁴⁸⁰ as discussed in Baseline Considerations.
- ii. **Stools**⁴⁷⁹ that are specially designed for use in behavioral health units are also available.



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b. Furniture:

- i. **Sturdy wood, thermoplastic, or composite furniture should be bolted to the floor or walls whenever possible.** Care must be taken to assure the furniture will withstand abuse, will not provide opportunities for hiding contraband, does not have joints that will allow penetration of liquids such as urine, and will resist being dissembled to provide patients with weapons.



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Open-front units with fixed shelves and no doors or drawers⁴⁹⁵ are recommended. Doors should not be provided because they can be used by patients as ligature attachment points. Drawers should not be provided because they can be removed by patients and broken to use as weapons. All upholstery and foam used in furniture and mattresses should have flame-spread ratings that comply with the requirements of NFPA 101: *Life Safety Code*, Section 10.3.

ii. Beds

- **Non-Adjustable Platform Beds**⁴⁹³ – Beds without wire springs or storage drawers are preferred. These beds should be securely anchored in place to prevent patients from using them to barricade the door. If a portable lifting device will be used, beds are available with an opening underneath to accommodate the legs of the lift.⁴⁹⁴ Portable lifts can also be accommodated by placing an existing platform bed on a specially designed riser; this arrangement also reduces the amount of bending over staff need to do to work with the patient.^{494b}
- **Mattresses for Platform Beds**⁴⁹² – These should be specifically designed for use in behavioral health facilities and be resistant to abuse and contamination.



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- **Bedding⁴⁹¹** - If bedding other than standard sheets are indicated by the Safety Risk Assessment for some patients, one piece durable products are available,
- **Electric Hospital Beds** – If electrically operable beds are needed for patients with co-existing medical issues or to reduce risk of staff injuries, beds that are specifically marketed for use on behavioral health units⁴⁹⁰ should be used rather than standard electrically adjustable hospital beds. These specialty beds will sense obstructions and reverse direction and have lockout features for the controls, reduced-length cords, and other tamper-resistant features. However, they do have significant ligature attachment point risks with the guard rails, headboard, foot board and allow access to many hazards beneath the bed.
- **If existing electrically operable beds** must be used for financial reasons, use only beds that require a constant pressure on a switch located on the bed rail (not a remote-control device or paddle that can be placed on the floor). Also, provide a key lockout switch⁶¹¹ on the beds (or a removable pigtail) so only staff can operate the beds. All electrical cords should be secured and shortened. These beds also have significant ligature attachment risks as mentioned above.
- As for **other wheeled beds**, the wheels of electric hospital-type beds should be removed or rendered inoperable. It is further suggested that corridor doors to rooms with electrically operable beds be locked at all time the patient is not in the room to reduce the risk of other patients entering the room and harming themselves.

- iii. Wardrobes** – Wardrobe units should not have doors and should have fixed (non-adjustable) shelves.⁴⁹⁶ They should be securely anchored in place and have sloped tops. Wardrobes with clothes poles requiring hangers are discouraged because, although the bar can be made safe, the hangers present serious hazards. The **FGI Guidelines** no longer call for patient rooms to have accommodations for “hanging full-length clothing.” The average length of stay in many facilities is now in the



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7-to-10-day range, and patients seldom come with clothing that needs to be hung up. The use of clothes hangers is not recommended.

iv. Cabinets (Built-in) – if provided, these are strongly suggested to have no doors or drawers and any shelves be securely anchored in place to resist both upward and downward force.

- One exception to not having cabinet doors may be cabinets to hold CPAP machines^{496c} in some patient rooms if allowable by the facility's Safety Risk Assessment. These have a slot to allow the tubing to exit the cabinet. Care is suggested in locating these and consideration of other patients who may have access to the tubing. It is suggested that if these are provided they be equipped with concealed hinges, key operated locks, ligature resistant pulls and be designed so the doors resist ligature attachment when closed and locked. The electrical receptacle to operate the machine is strongly suggested to be located inside this cabinet.



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6. Plumbing Fixtures and Fittings

- a. Toilet Fixtures** - Levels IVb and Vb only
- b. Sinks** – Hand washing sinks are not required in Psychiatric Hospital patient rooms by the FGI Guidelines but toilet rooms are required to have sinks by the FGI Guidelines and are covered in Level IVb.
- c. Showers** - Levels IVb and V only
- d. Faucets** - Levels IVb and V only
- e. Flush Valves** - Levels IVb and V only
- f. Water Stations** – Levels II and III only
- g. Medical Gases** – These are not normally required for behavioral health units. If there is medical necessity or the outlets are a preexisting condition in remodeling projects, they are suggested to be covered with lockable panels^{590c} as listed in Baseline above or panels attached with tamper-resistant screws. These covers should be

removed or opened only to address the medical needs of the current patient and replaced when that patient is discharged or moved. Special care must be taken in semi-private rooms to assure that access to the medical gases does not present a safety risk to the other patient. Some manufacturers offer lockable covers for outlets. Cabinets that are large enough to enclose the devices attached to the outlets^{590b} are preferred.



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7. HVAC

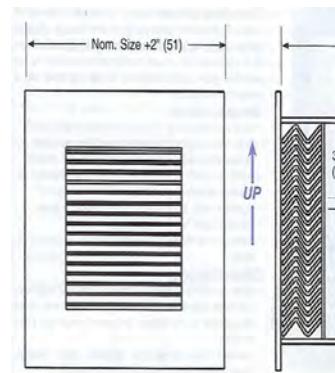
a. Diffusers, Registers and Grilles:

- i. **Fully recessed vandal-resistant grilles** with S-shaped air passageways⁶⁰⁰ are recommended for all ceiling and wall-mounted grilles. Perforated air grilles are not suggested for Level IV areas.
- ii. **HVAC Equipment** - In new construction or major remodeling projects, locate individual room HVAC equipment (such as fan/coil units) in an adjacent corridor or another location (e.g., an interstitial space) where they can be serviced without entering the patient room.
- iii. **HVAC Equipment** - If individual fan/coil-type units exist and must remain, they should be protected with vandal-resistant covers⁶⁰⁶ the same as for corridors in all other Levels.

b. Thermostats – See Baseline and as called for in the Safety Risk Assessment.



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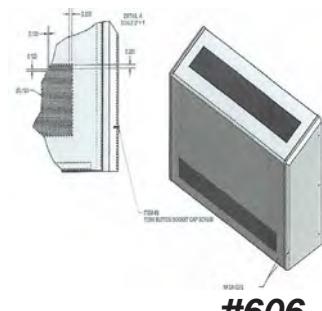


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8. Electrical

a. Electrical Devices:

- i. **New construction or major remodeling** - the **FGI Guidelines** require a dedicated circuit be provided for all electrical outlets in each patient room and bath. This will allow power to the outlets in a specific room to be turned off if necessary for a patient's safety. Control of each circuit should be located where only staff have access. Where this is not practical in an existing facility,



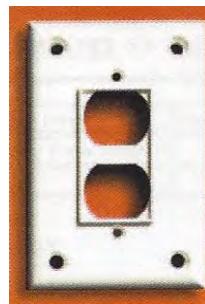
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a tamper-resistant temporary cover may be installed when necessary.

- ii. **All electrical switch and outlet cover plates** should be as discussed in Section A - Baseline Conditions.

b. Light Fixtures –

- i. **Standard Fixture** - The standard general hospital practice of providing a 2'x4' light fixture directly over patient beds is seldom needed in behavioral health facilities because medical treatment is not provided in the patient beds and looking up into one is not very pleasant.
- ii. **LED Fixture** - The current preference is for using either wall or ceiling mounted narrow strip LED fixtures.^{620d} An alternative can be round or oval vandal-resistant fixtures^{620k} for general illumination. Many of these fixtures are now available with LED light sources and some are tunable to allow patients or staff to change the color or the light.
- iii. **Downlight** - Any downlights are suggested to have polycarbonate lenses.^{620h}
- iv. **Small individual reading lights**⁶²⁴ can be provided to give reading light near beds or adjacent to built-in bench seating areas or allow patients to turn on a small light to assist when getting up in the middle of the night.
- v. **Night Lights**⁵³⁹ – are required by the **FGI Guidelines** in patient rooms and these are to be controlled from a location near the door to the room.



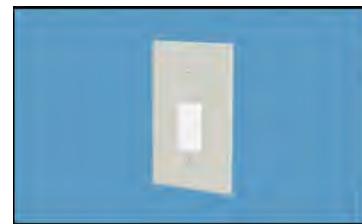
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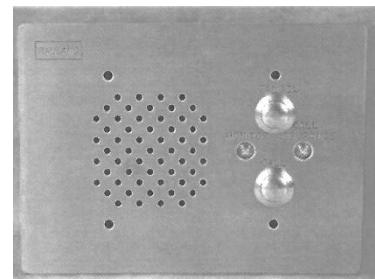


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9. Communications

- a. **Telephone Sets** are not typically provided in behavioral health patient rooms.
- b. **Nurse Calls** are not required in behavioral health patient rooms by the FGI Guidelines; however if they are provided, they are required to meet their standards and are suggested to have flush mounted push button activation.⁶⁵³

If cords are provided, it is recommended they be no longer than 6" and as lightweight as possible.



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Level IV-b. En-suite Patient Toilet Rooms:***West Springs Hospital - Patient Bathroom***

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All items shall be the same as Baseline with the following exceptions:

1. Openings

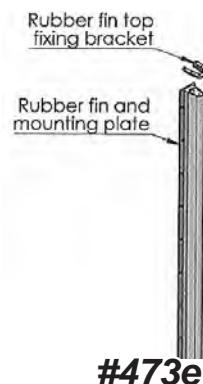
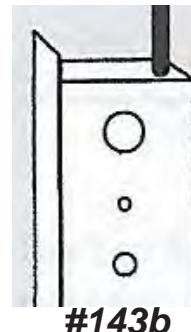
a. Doors & Hardware - The first question to address for patient toilet room doors is whether the facility ever has the need/desire to lock patients out of their bathrooms.

i. **Locking** - If there is a need to lock patients out of the bathroom:

- **Double-acting Hinge** - A full-size, tight fitting, out-swinging door mounted on a double-acting continuous hinge^{113c} with cap and over-door alarm¹⁵⁰ is preferred. Also, a classroom function deadbolt that extends the bolt into the head of the door frame (with a ligature-resistant turn piece on the inside that will retract the bolt but not extend it^{143b}), two flush pulls¹²¹ mounted back to back (larger pulls^{121d} available for ADA accessible rooms), and a roller,¹⁴⁷ ball¹⁴⁶ or magnetic¹⁴⁸ latch at the head should be installed along with a rubber fin with top fixing bracket^{473e} mounted on the strike side of the frame.
- **A sliding door**^{40g} that is ligature resistant can eliminate issues with swinging door conflicts or floor space issues as long as there is wall surface for it to slide over in the open position. Ligature resistant pulls and locking hardware are available for this configuration. A frame assembly is now available for this system to assist with installation on existing openings.

ii. **Non-Locking** - If it is not necessary to lock patients out of their bathrooms, one of the following options may be provided:

- **Non-lockable doors** eliminate many of the hanging hazards associated with a typical door. Some attach with magnets^{470a} (*illustrated on next page*) and may be easily removed by staff for use as a shield against an attacking patient.
- **Door assemblies with sloped tops**^{473c}, continuous hinges and rubber fins at the strike jamb and ligature resistant pulls are another option.



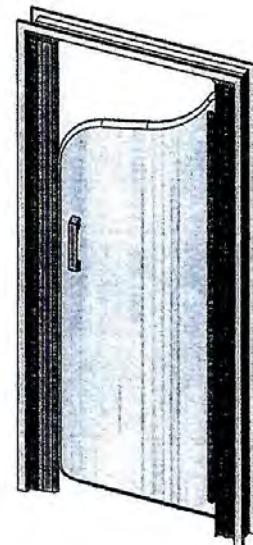
- **No Door** - Some facilities with single-patient rooms are electing to remove doors entirely from patient toilet rooms. The practicality of this depends on not having a clear sight line into the toilet room from the corridor door. This has proven to be unpopular with patients in some facilities due to the lack of privacy.

- iii. Shower Openings - Doors** – No shower curtains or their tracks of any type (including those designated as “breakaway” and represented by their manufacturers as “safe for psychiatric hospitals”) are recommended for use in any patient-accessible areas, especially patient showers. In new construction, showers could be designed to contain the spray within the compartment without the use of a curtain or door. The use of foam doors^{470a} or hard plastic doors^{473c} mounted with a minimal gap between the bottom of the door and the floor may be used to reduce the amount of water that leaves the shower compartment.

The use of residential glass shower doors is specifically discouraged.



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2. Finishes

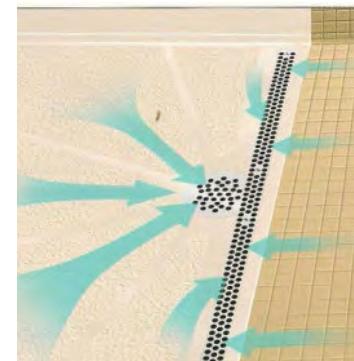
- a. Walls** – The following are suggested depending on the acuity of the patient population and the project budget:
 - i. **Synthetic wall protection panels**³³¹ (without trim pieces) or solid-surface sheet material
 - ii. **Ceramic or porcelain tile** in large pieces
 - iii. **Gypsum board** that is impact-resistant and has mold and moisture-resistant facing²³⁰ with epoxy paint; solid-surface sheets in showers.
- b. Ceiling** – Gypsum board with mold- and moisture-resistant facing²³⁰ with epoxy paint is recommended.
- c. Wall Base** – See Baseline

d. Flooring – One of the following slip-resistant products may be used depending on the acuity of the patient population and the Safety Risk Assessment :

- i. **Seamless Epoxy Flooring**²⁵⁰ – This flooring should have a slip-resistant finish and integral cove base and can be used in a shower. Do not use a metal or plastic strip at the top of the base as patients can remove it for use as a weapon.
- ii. **Ceramic and Porcelain Tile** - Larger tiles may be used (to reduce the number of joints) as long as the installation is maintained in good condition.
- iii. **One-Piece Floor Units** – These units⁵⁶⁴ provide a monolithic floor (European-style) for the entire patient toilet room that drains the shower to a central location. If used in conjunction with location of the shower enclosure and shower head, this unit can eliminate the need for shower curtains.
- iv. **Solid-Surface Material Basins** – These are available with a trench drain⁵⁶⁷ across the entire front opening of the stall, which not only helps keep water from getting into the room, but also makes the drain more difficult for patients to intentionally clog. Fiberglass shower stalls and floors are generally not durable enough.
- v. **Prefabricated Bathrooms**⁵⁶⁸ – These contain all finishes, fixtures, and accessories and can reduce construction time because they are shipped to the site ready to be connected to the utilities. Care must be taken for use of durable materials.



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3. Specialties

a. Toilet Accessories –

- i. **Robe Hooks** – Evaluate the risk of using these hooks. If they are required, they should be the collapsible type.³⁵⁰
- ii. **Towel Bars** – Use collapsible hooks³⁵⁰ instead of towel bars for towels.
- iii. **Grab Bars** – Because some patients may be on medications that interfere with their equilibrium, grab bars for toilets and showers are recommended for all patient-



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accessible toilets. A self-draining bar³³² may be installed on a slight slope. These provide a high degree of safety and are also easy to clean and sanitize. If the wall surface behind the bar is not smooth and flat, provide pick-resistant sealant to the joint between the bar and the wall.



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iv. Vertical Grab Bars – In locations where vertical grab bars are required or desired, typical ligature-resistant bars mounted vertically can usually be grasped only from one side. A ligature-resistant grab bar specifically designed to be mounted vertically³³⁷ that can be grasped from either side is available.



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v. Soap Dishes - These should not have handles and should be recessed. Soap dishes that can be installed from the front^{390a} should be provided unless there is access to the chase behind the wall for installation



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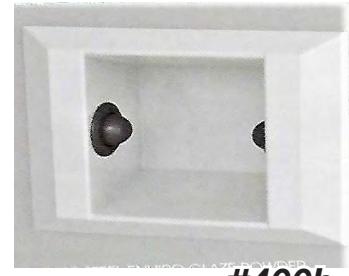
vi. Soap Dispensers – Many facilities now use liquid or foam soap in patient areas, but the commonly used hard-plastic soap dispensers are problematic in that they are fairly easy to pull off the wall and break into sharp shards that can be used as weapons. At least one manufacturer now offers steel covers for their standard dispensers. Another solution is a dispenser made of solid-surface material³⁹¹ commonly used for counter tops that is relatively tamper-resistant. Some commercially available stainless steel dispensers are reasonably ligature-resistant.



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vii. Toilet Paper Holders:

- **Toilet paper holders**⁴⁰⁰ that do not require a bar or tube to hold the paper allow for standard use of the roll of toilet paper without requiring everyone using the roll to handle it. They are available in recessed and surface mounted styles and some have no moving parts.
- **Other toilet paper holders** use a bar(s) that pivot down^{400f,g} when vertical pressure is imposed.



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viii. Shelves – Shelves to hold miscellaneous items are often requested in shower stalls and near wall-hung lavatories. A stainless-steel suicide-resistant shelf that



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is either surface-mounted³⁷¹ or recessed into the wall.³⁷⁰ may be considered for these applications. Front mounted recessed units are preferred unless access to the chase is provided.

ix. Paper Towel Dispensers – Paper towel dispensers are a concern in patient-accessible toilets because they typically are constructed of light-weight materials that can either be broken or bent to form sharp objects that may be used as weapons. Alternatives are as follows:

- Place a small stack of paper towels on a surface-mounted or recessed shelf.
- Provide a heavy-gauge, vandal-resistant dispenser.^{340b}
- Install a heavy-duty secure cover^{340a} over a standard-weight paper towel dispenser.
- Install a polycarbonate, vandal-resistant dispenser.^{340c}



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b. Mirrors – There are several options now available.

- i. Glass-laminated polycarbonate mirrors in ligature resistant wood frames offer an option with a residential appearance and are scratch resistant. (See also A.3.e.i)
- ii. Polycarbonate mirrors with built-in lighting are attractive and non-institutional but are susceptible to scratching.
- iii. Typical radiused stainless steel-framed security mirrors³⁶⁰ are available with polycarbonate, tempered glass, stainless steel, or chrome-plated steel reflective surfaces. Each has different durability and distortion characteristics. Some framed mirrors have a flat surface on top which may be a ligature attachment point.



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6. Plumbing Fixtures and Fittings

a. Toilet Fixtures - Toilets used by behavioral health patients should be a floor-mounted, back water supply type rather than a wall-mounted fixture, which can be broken off its hangers and may present a ligature attachment risk. These type fixtures are available in china, stainless steel and solid surface material. Where wall-hung toilets or floor



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mounted fixtures that do not fit tightly to the wall exist and replacing them is not practical, some facilities have had stainless steel or solid surface filler panels custom fabricated to fill the voids.

- i. **Movable seats** provide attachment points for ligatures, so their use should be considered carefully by each hospital. The solution is to use a fixture with an integral seat as suggested above^{534b}. Some facilities feel this is too prison-like and choose to accept the risk of the movable seat. At the present time, TJC is allowing movable toilet sets in behavioral health facilities.
- ii. **China fixtures** themselves (both floor- and wall-mounted) can be broken into large, sharp shards. Toilet fixtures made of solid-surface material⁵³³ and stainless steel⁵³⁴ are available and are much more resistant to breakage. The stainless steel fixtures can be powder-coated for a less “institutional” appearance.
- iii. **Bariatric** - Toilet fixtures that manufacturers claim will support loads in excess of 2,000 pounds are available if needed for patients of size.⁵³⁶

b. Sinks:

- i. **Solid Surface** - Typical commercial solid-surface counter tops with integral sinks offer a much less institutional appearance. They also provide a place for patients to set their toothbrushes, etc. Specialty vanity top-type lavatories⁵⁴² provide many of the same benefits.
- ii. **Wall-Hung Solid-Surface Lavatories** – Corner lavatories⁵⁴⁰ make ligature attachment difficult and some come with the ADA required 18" space from the wall to the centerline of the drain and matching pipe enclosure.
- iii. If a **wall-hung fixture** is used that does not fit into a corner,⁵⁴¹ the optional filler panel is recommended to fill the space between the side of the fixture and an adjacent wall when there is one near the fixture. Stainless steel or high-impact polymer pipe covers designed for the lavatories that fit tightly to the bottom of the fixture should also be provided.
- iv. **Lavatory Waste and Supply Piping** – All piping of this type must be enclosed so it is not accessible to patients.⁴¹⁰ Extreme care should be taken to trim the



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enclosing material so it fits tightly to the underside of the lavatory fixture to prevent the patient from using this space to hide contraband.



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c. Showers:

i. **Shower Heads** – These should be a ligature-resistant institutional type.⁵⁵⁰ ADA Handicapped-accessible showers are required to have either a hand-held shower head or a second, lower head 48" above the floor. The hand-held shower head should be on a ligature-resistant, quick-disconnect fitting^{563b} that allows removal of the head and attached hose when not in use. If a hook is provided to hold the hand-held shower head, it should be mounted on the part of the fitting that is removed when the hose is removed. A ligature resistant shower head with integral quick-disconnect fitting and internal diverter valve^{553a} is available which reduces the clutter of individual items. Another option is to provide a lockable cabinet to house the hand-held head and valve.⁵⁶²



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ii. **Shower Control Valves** - Note: Provide thermostatically limited hot water to prevent accidental or intentional scalding in all patient-accessible sinks and showers.

- **Single-knob mixing valves** that provide minimal opportunity for tying anything around them are preferred.⁵⁵² These give patients control of the water temperature and duration of flow. Some of these are claimed to be ADA-compliant by their manufacturers.
- If it is only necessary to **replace the valve handles** and the valve itself is working properly, use of a replacement valve handle^{552c} that can be adapted to a variety of valves might be considered. Note: This may void any remaining warranty on the existing valve.
- A “**no-touch**” valve^{552e} that appears to be ADA compliant is available. It utilizes infrared controls to give patients control of a range of water temperatures and the duration of flow.
- **One-piece shower assemblies** that contain shower heads, valves, and a recessed soap dishes⁵⁶⁰ work well for remodeling projects because they reduce the amount of repair needed for wall finishes. These



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are also available with a second head^{563c} located 48" above the floor and a diverter valve if needed for ADA purposes.

- iii. Shower Drains** – That offer less opportunity for ligature attachment or patients abrading their skin⁵⁶⁵ are preferred over more traditional drain grates.
- iv. Diverter Valve** – If a diverter valve is needed to change the water flow from the standard shower head to the ADA-required head, a ligature-resistant diverter valve⁵⁵⁵ may be provided.

d. Faucets - Lavatory and Sink Faucets and Valves –
Faucets and valves can provide attachment points for ligatures. A lavatory valve unit is now available that uses a shower valve fitted with a ligature-resistant handle⁵⁷⁴ to allow patients to control the temperature (thermostatically limited to prevent scalding) and duration of the water flow. This valve can be used to replace the motion sensor activation of some faucets. Faucets are available in a variety of materials and configurations that range from push-button to motion sensor-activated.⁵⁷⁰ Faucets with two push buttons allow patients some choice of water temperature and do not require electricity (either battery or line voltage) to operate. They also will not automatically turn on unexpectedly, which is disturbing to some patients.

e. Flush Valves – Toilet flush valves that are recessed in the wall⁵⁸⁰ and activated by a push button⁵⁸¹ are preferred. Where this is not practical, the flush valve and all related pipes should be enclosed with a stainless steel⁵⁸⁵ or plastic^{585b} cover with a sloped top that incorporates a push-button activator for the valve. Sensor activation of flush valves is discouraged because they require electricity (either battery or line voltage) and may flush unexpectedly which can be disturbing to some patients.



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DESIGN REDUCES LIGATURE RISK AND PROTECTS FLUSH VALVES

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7. HVAC

a. Air Grilles – Perforated air grilles are not suggested for Level IV areas. Grilles with "S" vanes are preferred. See Section A Baseline Conditions.

8. Electrical

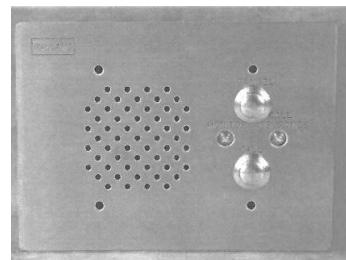
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- ii. All electrical switch and outlet cover plates should be as discussed in Baseline.

b. Light Fixtures – These fixtures require wet condition rating and are otherwise the same as Baseline.

9. Communications

a. Nurse Calls – These are not required by the **FGI Guidelines**, but if they are provided, they must meet general hospital standards. In addition, flush mounted push-button activation is preferred.⁶⁵³ In areas where falls may occur, it is recommended that a second push button located about 12" above the floor be provided below the one at normal mounting height. If pull cord activators are provided, the **FGI Guidelines** limit their length to a maximum of 6 inches in length.



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F. Level V:

Areas where staff interact with newly admitted patients who present potential unknown risks or where patients may be in highly agitated condition, such as Admissions, and Seclusion/Restraint Suites:

Level V-a. Admissions:



West Springs Hospital - Admissions Lobby

Architect of Record - Davis Partnership, Denver, CO: Photographer - Paul Brokering Photography

All items shall be the same as Level IV with the following exceptions:

If possible, the admissions function is preferred to not take place on an inpatient unit. At admission, unit staff members know very little about a new patient and his or her trigger points. A separate location for admission avoids disrupting either the unit or the new patient due to the agitation of either.

The Admission rooms should be pleasant, calming, quiet and welcoming; and should be minimally furnished (with a few loose pieces of furniture).

The room should be large enough to allow for several staff to physically manage the patient if necessary. If possible, the admitting staff member should not be in the room alone with a patient. After the admitting process is complete, the patient can be escorted to the unit. These precautions are particularly important for emergency admissions, which frequently occur at night and on weekends.

1. Openings

- a. Doors** - As stated above, all rooms patients will enter are suggested to have a barricade-resistant solution as discussed in Baseline.
- b. Windows:**
 - i. Exterior – If exterior windows are present, they are suggested to comply with comments for Level IV above.
 - ii. Interior - Provide a small (12"x12" or 4"x24") view window in the door that can be controlled by staff²²⁰ from outside the room to observe what is happening in the room when necessary and resist non-authorized individuals having visual access to the room.

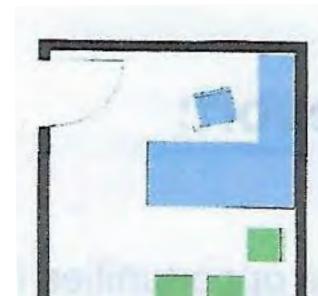


Diagram #1

4. Furnishings

- a. Cabinets (Built-in)** - Same as discussed in Baseline.
- b. Seating –**
 - i. The furniture arrangement is suggested to locate the patient's and family member's chair(s) so that when they are seated, they will not be between the staff member and the door to the room.

Chairs⁴⁸² are preferred to be comfortable and fixed in place or heavyweight as discussed in Section A Baseline Concepts.
 - ii. Desk Seating for staff⁴⁸⁰ is suggested to be a lightweight plastic chair in lieu of a standard desk chair which could be used as a weapon.



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b. Furniture:

- i. If a built-in desk or table is provided, it is preferred to be sturdy and firmly attached to the floor or walls and contain a lockable file drawer for forms and a lockable box drawer for pens, pencils, staplers, etc. All loose items should be kept in drawers and out of sight.
- ii. The use of laptop or tablet computers in these rooms is preferable to minimize cords and wires that patients may



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be able to access. If desktop computers are provided, they are suggested to be located so the patient cannot easily reach them.

8. Electrical

- a. Light Fixtures** – Dimmable wall or ceiling washing light fixtures are suggested so that lower levels (and possibly more soothing color temperatures) are available to provide a less stimulating environment. See Baseline

9. Communications

- a. Telephone Sets** – are suggested to be cordless phones to reduce the number of wires that may be available to patients. If standard telephones are provided, it is suggested that they be located as far away from patients as possible or in lockable cabinets.
- b. Nurse Calls / Duress Alarms** If a personal duress alarm system⁶⁵⁰ is not present, an emergency call button⁶⁵⁴ for use by staff is strongly suggested to be provided so staff may summon additional staff members if necessary.



10. Electronic Safety

- a. Metal Detectors⁶⁶⁰** – may be provided in the Admissions area to assist with screening incoming patients for contraband. See Baseline



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Level V-b. Seclusion Suites and Restraint Suites



Seclusion Room

All items shall be the same as Level IV with the following exceptions:

Seclusion Rooms and Restraint Rooms are very similar in design and construction with the size and furniture being the two main differentiating features. The **FGI Guidelines** require Seclusion Rooms to be a minimum of 60 square feet in floor area and Restraint rooms to be a minimum of 80 square feet in floor area. They should be no less than 7 feet wide and no greater than 11 feet long to avoid providing enough space for a patient to get a running start at the opposite wall. They should be designed to minimize blind spots where patients cannot be observed by staff without entering the room and outside corners are to be avoided, where possible. A minimum ceiling height of 9 feet is preferred.

It is strongly suggested that one room not be used for both secluding and restraining patients unless the loops for attaching the restraint straps are removed before the room is used for secluding a patient. The Safety Risk Assessment should address all aspects of seclusion and restraint in detail.

The distance of the seclusion room from the nurse station needs to be considered. The goal is to avoid excessive distance so staff can be readily available as needed. The seclusion room door should swing out of the room and open directly into an anteroom to separate these activities from other patients and give the patient access to a toilet without entering the corridor

1. Openings

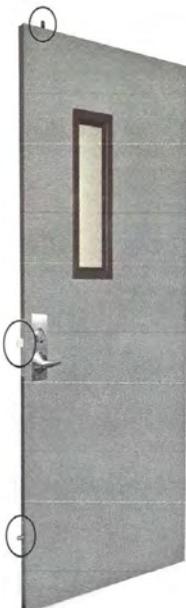
- a. Doors** - Heavy-duty, commercial-grade steel doors with a minimum clear width of 3'-8" (usually requires nominal 4'-0" wide doors) that are hinged to swing out of the room. A polycarbonate²⁰¹ view window that does not exceed 100 square inches is strongly suggested to allow staff to observe the patient and determine the location of the patient before opening the door. The height of the window should allow shorter staff members to see into the room.

b. Door Hardware:

- i. **Exposed door hardware** is typically not provided on the inside face of these doors.
- ii. **The seclusion room door** is preferred to have three-point latching with *manual activation of a single lever* required to engage all three bolts.¹⁶⁰ This operation greatly reduces the risk of a staff becoming locked in the room with a patient. Hardware that automatically latches when the door is closed and latched can result in staff being locked in the room with the patient.

c. Windows:

- i. **Exterior** – If exterior windows are present, they are suggested to be a minimum of ½" thick polycarbonate and have either mini-blinds or roller blinds that have motorized operation controllable from the Ante Room.
- ii. **Interior** – See comments on view window in the door above. Other interior windows in these rooms are discouraged to help avoid over-stimulation of patients.



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2. Finishes

a. Walls:

- i. **Padded wall finish** is often provided which has either a Kevlar-facing or heavy vinyl facing and 1 1/2" thick foam backing.²⁷⁰

- ii. **Unpadded** - Impact-resistant gypsum board²³⁰ over 3/4" plywood (or 25 gauge sheet metal which stiffens the wall, is easily cut and does not require wider door frames) on minimum 20-gauge metal studs at 16" on center with high performance finish²⁸⁰ are minimum recommendations.
- b. **Ceilings** – Impact-resistant and/or abrasion-resistant gypsum board^{230, 231} painted with high performance finish²⁸⁰ at 9'-0" minimum height is preferred.
- c. **Wall Base:**
 - i. **Unpadded** – Use of a separate base material is not recommended in these rooms. If painted, exposed gypsum board finish is provided; it is preferred that it be extended to the floor and a pick-resistant caulk joint be provided at the floor. A painted stripe that is 4" or 6" high may be provided to help hide scuffing and marking on the wall.
 - ii. **Padded** – No base is typically provided, the padding extends to the top of the flooring.
- d. **Flooring** – Provide continuous sheet vinyl with foam backing and heat-welded seams²⁷² or padded flooring to match wall padding.

3. Specialties

- a. **Mirrors and Domes – Observation Mirror** – Install a convex mirror⁴²⁰ at the ceiling in the corner of the room opposite the seclusion room door. Make sure the mirror can be seen when viewing it from the window in the door. This mirror will give staff a full view of the room prior to opening the door. Care shall be taken to assure the attachment is secure so the patient cannot remove it and have a weapon and the perimeter is sealed with pick-resistant caulk.

4. Furnishings

No furniture is typically provided in Seclusion rooms and Restraint Rooms other than the following:

- a. **Furniture:**

- i. **Seclusion rooms** are suggested to have only a behavioral health care mattress⁴⁹² on the floor or a special seclusion room bed.^{493a} These beds should not have



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exposed loops to which mechanical restraints may be attached because these may be used as ligature attachment points for secluded patients.

- ii. **Restraint rooms** are suggested to have special beds with loops for attachment of restraint straps.⁴⁹⁷ These beds are typically anchored in place and positioned to allow space for access on at least three sides, if not all four sides.
- iii. **Seclusion and Restraint Room** - If a room will be used for patients that are both in restraints and in seclusion (without restraints), there are several beds available that have restraint attachment loops that may be quickly and easily removed.⁴⁹⁸



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5. Fire Suppression

- a. **Fire Sprinkler Heads** - Institutional Type – Same as for Level IV.

6. Plumbing Fixtures and Fittings

- a. **Same as those in Level IV-B** except that toilet fixtures of Powder-coated stainless-steel fixtures⁵³⁴ or solid surface material⁵³³ are preferred by some facilities.

NOTE: All plumbing fixtures intended for use by patients in this area are required by the FGI Guidelines to be in a separate room that is accessed via an Ante Room from the Seclusion/Restraint Room.

7. HVAC

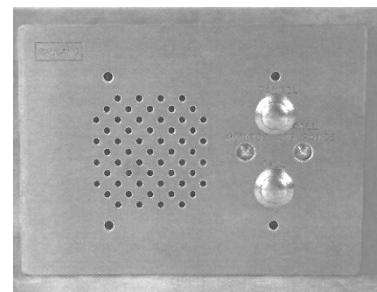
- a. **Diffusers, Registers and Grilles HVAC grilles** - Fully recessed, vandal-resistant grilles with S-shaped air passageways⁶⁰⁰
- b. **Thermostats** – These are preferred to be a digital type with control mounted on the wall in the anteroom and sensor in the return air duct serving the room.

8. Electrical

- a. **Electrical Devices.** No electrical outlets, switches, thermostats, blank cover plates, or similar devices are permitted by the FGI Guidelines inside seclusion rooms.
- b. **Light Fixtures. Light Fixtures** – Fully recessed, moisture-resistant, vandal-resistant light fixtures⁶²⁰ⁱ installed in the ceiling are recommended. Dimmable wall or ceiling washing light fixtures are suggested so that lower levels (and possibly more soothing colors) are available to provide a less stimulating environment.

9. Communications

- a. **Telephone Sets** - None allowed.
- b. **Nurse Calls / Duress Alarms** – None allowed, it is typical that a staff member is assigned to continuously observe the patient in these rooms. A staff assist call button⁶⁵³ mounted in the Anteroom may be required by the FGI Guidelines



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Summary

Thoughtful consideration of these design elements and materials by design team members and hospital staff can result in a very aesthetically pleasing environment that will enhance the treatment process and help maximize safety for patients, staff, and visitors. It is strongly recommended that wall-hung lavatories, 2'x4' fluorescent light fixtures, paddle-handle door hardware, and many other items typically found in general hospitals **NOT** be used in behavioral health facilities. The reasons these are used in general hospitals typically do not exist in behavioral health care units. Their elimination will significantly reduce the institutional character of behavioral health facilities without decreasing patient or staff safety.

As stated in the introduction, this document is intended to represent leading current practices and does not establish minimum standards for behavioral health facilities or represent requirements of codes or regulatory agencies. No product or built environment is entirely without risk.

The authors' desire is that hospital staff and their design teams will use this information to start conversations about what is the best solution for each individual facility's patients and staff.

The Baseline level of concern in *Section A* is intended to represent a typical level of risk tolerance for inpatient units. This baseline is adjusted up or down for the levels of concern in the environmental safety risk assessment matrix as discussed herein.

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01 00 00 – General

01 00 01 – Trash Receptacle Liner

1a. Trash receptacle liner – paper

Sani-liner®

Wisconsin Converting

Green Bay, WI

920-593-8297

www.wisconsinconverting.com



1c. Trash receptacle liner – paper

Psych-Select-Bag™

Dano Group

Stamford, CT

800-348-3266

www.danoinc.com



07 00 00 – Thermal and Moisture Protection

07 92 00 – Joint Sealants

10a. Sound and Smoke Seals – Breakaway

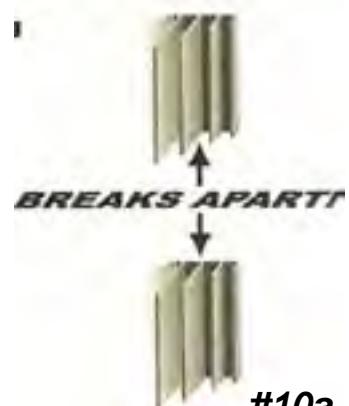
Cush'N'Seal w/breakaway anti-ligature option

Door and Hardware Systems, Inc.

Rochester, NY

585-235-8543

www.dhsi-seal.com



10b. Sound and smoke seals – breakaway

Ligature-resistant Zag option

Zero International – Allegion

Indianapolis, IN

877-671-7011

www.zerointernational.com



10c. Sound and smoke/fire seals – breakaway

Adhesive gaskets - perforated

Pemko Manufacturing Company

Memphis, TN

800-824-3018

www.pemko.com

20a. Pick-resistant caulk

Dynaflex™ SC

Pecora Corporation
Harleysville, PA
800-523-6688
www.pecora.com

20b. Pick-resistant caulk

Everseal # SB-190

Surebond
St. Charles, IL 60174
877-843-1818
www.surebond.com



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20c. Pick-resistant caulk

MasterSeal® #CR 190

BASF Construction Chemicals
Shakopee, MN 55379
800-243-6739
www.master-builders-solutions.bASF.us



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08 00 00 - OPENINGS

08 10 00 – Doors and Frames

25a. Synthetic faced door

Acrovyn® Doors

Construction Specialties
Lebanon, NJ 08833
800-972-7214
www.c-sgroup.com



#25a

25b. Synthetic-faced door-

Thermal-Fused Doors

ASSA ABLOY Door Group
c/o Maiman
Springfield, MO 65803
417-616-8234
www.assaabloywooddoors.com



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08 31 13 – Access Doors

30.a Access panel – lockable

SP Steel Security Panel with mortise deadbolt prep

J. L. Industries, Inc.

Bloomington, MN 55435

800-554-6077

www.jlindustries.com



30.b Access panel – lockable

Security Access Panel with tamper resistant latches & rounded corners

Weizel Security

800-308-3627

www.securinghospitals.com



08 34 00 – Special Function Doors

40a. Patient toilet door

Wanford En-Suite Bathroom Door

Safehinge-Primera

UK

0330-058-0988

www.safehingeprimera.com



40b. Patient toilet door

En-Suite Patient Bathroom Door w/ Shower Door

Option: #SHDUS02

Kingsway Group USA

Royal Oak, MI 48073

800-783-7980

www.kingswaygroupusa.com

NOTE: Hinge only, see Item 111g; Rubber fin only, see item 473e



40c. Patient Toilet Door

Ligature Resistant Sliding Door System with Frame

Accurate Lock and Hardware

Stamford, CT 06902

203-348-8865

www.accuratelockandhardware.com

#40c

40d. Patient toilet door

Sentinel Event Reduction Door

Norva Plastics, Inc.

Norfolk, VA 23508

800-826-0758

www.norvaplastics.com

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40e. Patient toilet door

Soft Suicide Prevention Door

Kennon Products, Inc.

Sheridan, WY 82801

307-674-6498

www.suicideproofing.com

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40f. Patient toilet door

SafeDoor

Norix Group, Inc.

West Chicago, IL 60185

800-234-4900

www.norix.com

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44b. Wicket doors

Acrovyn® Barrier-Resistant Doors

Construction Specialties

Lebanon, NJ 08833

800-972-7214

www.c-sgroup.com

44c. Wicket doors

Behavioral Health Series Patient Room Access Door

ASSA ABLOY Door Security Solutions
New Haven, CT 06511
800-377-3948
www.assaabloydss.com



44d. Wicket doors

Wicket Door (Wood Doors)

Marshfield Door Systems
Marshfield, WI 54449
800-869-3667
www.marshfielddoors.com

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44e. Wicket doors

GCD-EC Flush Wicket Door with structural composite lumber core

Graham Wood Door
Mason City, Iowa 50401
641-423-2444
www.grahamdoors.com

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47a. Security sidelight

Security Sidelite Unit

Curries Company
Mason City, IA 50401
641-423-1334
www.curries.com



#47a

47b. Security sidelight

Security SideLite Unit

Ceco Door
Milan, TN 38358
www.cecodoor.com



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08 51 13 – Aluminum Windows

60a. Aluminum window with integral blind

2450 Series Storefront with hinged sash and integral blind

Manko Window Systems, Inc.

Manhattan, KS 66502

800-642-1488

www.mankowindows.com



#60a

60b. Aluminum window with integral blind

2187-DT Psychiatric Windows with integral blind

Wausau Window and Wall Systems

Wausau, WI 54401

877-678-2983

www.wausauwindow.com



#60b

60c. Aluminum window with integral blind - removable

SS-5100 Medium-Security Mental Health Security Window

Sherwood Windows Group

Toronto, Ontario M9W 5E3

Canada

800-770-5256

www.sherwoodwindows.com



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61a. Exterior windows - ventilation

Safevent Windows

Britplas

Woolston, Warrington WA1 4RW

England

+44-1925-824317

www.britplas.com



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61b. Exterior windows - ventilation

SW-6300 Operable Security Window

Sherwood Windows Group

Toronto, Ontario M9W 5E3

Canada

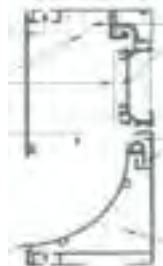
800-770-5256

www.sherwoodwindows.com

61c. Exterior windows - ventilation

512 Ventrow Ventilator

Kawneer North America
Norcross, GA 30092
770-449-5555
www.kawneer.com



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08 56 56 – Security Window Screens

80. Security screens

Security Screens

Kane Innovations
Erie, PA 16506
800-773-2439
www.kanescreens.com



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08 71 00 – Door Hardware

100a. Door closer

Concealed closer #2010 Series

LCN
Princeton, IL 61356-0100
877-671-7011
us.allegion.com/brands/lcn/Pages/default.aspx

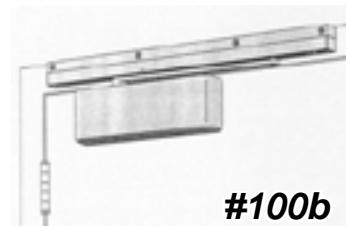


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100b. Door closer

High-security track closer #4510T SMOOTHEE® Series

LCN
121 West Railroad Avenue
Princeton, IL 61356-0100
877-671-7011
us.allegion.com/brands/lcn/Pages/default.aspx



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101. Electrically controlled door closer

Fire/Life Safety Series HSA Sentronic Electrically Controlled Closer/Holder

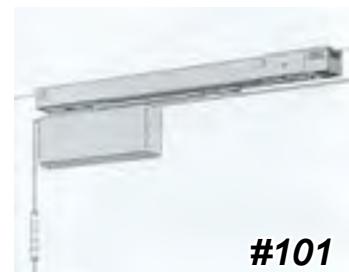
LCN

P.O. Box 100

Princeton, IL 61356-0100

815-875-3111

us.allegion.com/brands/lcn/Pages/default.aspx



109. Electric-release concealed deadbolts

ELECTRATM concealed vertical rod latching lever locksets

Securitech Group, Inc.

Maspeth, NY 11378

800-622-5625

www.securitech.com



110. Electromagnetic lock

Electromagnetic Locks

DynaLock Corporation

Bristol, CT 06010

877-396-2562

www.dynalock.com



- 111a. Continuous hinges – gear type with hospital tip

780-Series Roton Hinges

Hager Companies

St. Louis, MO 63104

800-325-9995

www.hagerco.com/Product-Listing.aspx?CatID=152&SubCatID=189



- 111b. Continuous hinges – gear type with hospital tip

112HD Concealed Continuous Hinge

Ives

Indianapolis, IN 46219

877-671-7011

us.allegion.com

111c. Continuous hinges – gear type with hospital tip

825-S22 SR™ SR824-S22 SafeSupport Continuous Gear Hinge

Weizel Security
800-308-3627
www.securinghospitals.com

111e. Continuous hinges – gear type with hospital tip

Continuous Geared Hinge # KG200

Kingsway Group USA
Royal Oak, MI 48073
800-783-7980
www.kingswaygroupusa.com



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111f. Continuous Hinges – gear type with hospital tip

SL11 Concealed single acting continuous geared hinge

Select Products Limited
Portage MI 49024
800-423-1174
www.selecthinges.com



#111f

111g. Continuous hinges

Anti-Ligature Continuous Swing Hinge for Shower w/ Cap# KG203

Kingsway Group USA
Royal Oak, MI 48073
800-783-7980
www.kingswaygroupusa.com

113a. Double-acting continuous hinge

Double Swing Hinge #DSH1000 Barrel Type

Markar
Memphis, TN 38181
www.assaabloydooraccessories.us/en/local/assaabloydooraccessoriesus/products/hinges/continuous-pin-barrel-hinges/behavioral-health-hinges/



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113c. Double-acting continuous hinge

Swing Hinge # KG202

Kingsway Group USA

Royal Oak, MI 48073

800-783-7980

www.kingswaygroupusa.com



113d. Double-acting continuous hinge

Switch Hinge # KG280

Kingsway Group USA

Royal Oak, MI 48073

800-783-7980

www.kingswaygroupusa.com



115b. Emergency stop

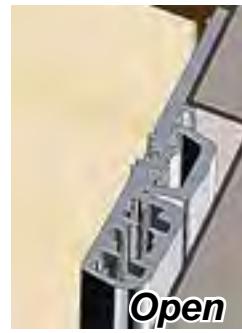
Emergency Release Stop #ERS

Pemko Manufacturing Company

Memphis, TN 38141

800-824-3018

www.pemko.com



115c. Emergency stop

Swing Stop # KG205, KG206

Kingsway Group USA

Royal Oak, MI 48073

800-783-7980

www.kingswaygroupusa.com



120. Door pull

Vandal-Resistant Door Pull Trim # VR910-DT

Ives

Indianapolis, IN 46219

877-671-7011

us.allegion.com

121c. Door pull, recessed

Heavy Duty Security Flush Pull # D89

Rockwood Manufacturing Company
Rockwood, PA 15557
800-458-2424
www.rockwoodmfg.com



121d. Door pull, recessed

Heavy Duty ADA Security Flush Pull # BF97L

Rockwood Manufacturing Company
Rockwood, PA 15557
800-458-2424
www.rockwoodmfg.com



130a. Ligature-resistant lever handle lockset

Anti Ligature Lockset (Mortise and Cylindrical) #SPSL

Best Access Systems
Indianapolis, IN 46250
317-849-2250
www.bestaccess.com/index.php/products/behavioral-health-products/



130b. Ligature-resistant lever handle lockset

Schlage L Series Extra Heavy Duty Mortise Lock with ligature resistant lever

Allegion
877-671-7011
us.allegion.com/IRSTDocs/Brochure/106510.pdf



130c. Ligature-resistant lever handle lockset

Series 5SS19 Institutional Life Safety Mortise Locksets

- Levers

Marks USA
Amityville, NY 11701
800-526-0233
www.marksusa.com



130d. Ligature-resistant lever handle lockset

LSL Life Safety Lever Series

Grainger
Lake Forest, IL 60045
800-472-4643
www.grainger.com



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131a. Ligature-resistant modified lever handle lockset

8200 with BHW Trim

Sargent Manufacturing Company
100 Sargent Drive
New Haven, CT 06536-0915
800-727-5477
www.sargentlock.com



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131b. Ligature-resistant modified lever handle lockset

Crescent Handle – horizontal installation

Accurate Lock and Hardware
Stamford, CT 06902
203-348-8865
www.accuratelockandhardware.com



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131c. Ligature-resistant modified lever handle lockset

Securitech; Solis handle available for both mortise and cylindrical locksets)

Securitech Group, Inc.
Maspeth, NY 11378
800-622-5625
www.securitech.com/securiguard/



#131c

131d. Ligature-resistant modified lever handle lockset

HD Ligature Resistant Cylindrical Lock CH-CYL Series

Accurate Lock and Hardware
Stamford, CT 06902
203-348-8865
www.accuratelockandhardware.com



#131d

132a. Ligature-resistant lockset

Ligature Resistant Push/Pull 9125ALP

Accurate Lock and Hardware

Stamford, CT 06902

203-348-8865

www.accuratelockandhardware.com



#132a

140. Patient room privacy lockset

Patient Room Privacy Lockset

Best Access Systems

Indianapolis, IN 46250

800-392-5209

www.bestaccess.com/products/behavioral-health-products/



#140

141a. Cylinder protector

Securiguard Cylinder Protector; Model #63LR

Securitech Group, Inc.

Maspeth, NY 11378

800-622-5625

www.securitech.com/securiguard/



#141a

141b. Cylinder protector

ShieldX Cylinder Protector

Grainger

Lake Forest, IL 60045

800-472-4643

www.grainger.com



#141b

143a. Deadbolt

Deadbolt with ligature-resistant turn piece (retract bolt only) #PBL 102-630

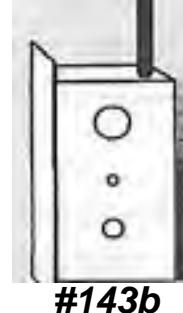
Securitech Group, Inc.
Maspeth, NY 11378
800-622-5625
www.securitech.com



143b. Deadbolt

Vertical Deadbolt with ligature-resist. turn piece (retract bolt only) #52XXV-F17

Securitech Group, Inc.
Maspeth, NY 11378
800-622-5625
www.securitech.com



144. Sallyport interlock hardware

RACHIE™ series lockset package

Securitech Group, Inc.
Maspeth, NY 11378
800-622-5625
www.securitech.com



145. Remote authorization

Assa Cliq Remote Authorization System

Assa Abloy
www.assabloy.com



146. Ball catch

Dual Adjustable Ball Catch #347

Ives
Indianapolis, IN 46219
877-671-7011
us.allegion.com



#146

147. Roller latch

Roller Latch # RL30

Ives
Indianapolis, IN 46219
877-671-7011
us.allegion.com



#147

148. Magnetic latch

Super-Mite Heavy Duty Magnetic Catch #327

Ives
Indianapolis, IN 46219
877-671-7011
us.allegion.com



#148

150a. Over-door alarm

The Door Switch

St. Louis, MO 63146
877-998-5625
thedoorswitch.com



#150a

150b. Over-door alarm

Top Door Alarm®

Door Control Services, Inc.
Ben Wheeler, TX 75754
800-356-2025
www.doorcontrolservices.com



#150b

150c. Over-door alarm

SEDA Door Alarm

Best Access Solutions, Inc.
Indianapolis, IN 46250

www.bestaccess.com/products/behavioral-health-products/



#150c

150d. Over-door alarm

LISA-Kit (Life Safety Alarm)

Grainger
Lake Forest, IL 60045
800-472-4643
www.grainger.com



150d

150d. Over-door alarm

DAISY – Over-the-Door Alarm)

Securitech Group, Inc.
Maspeth, NY 11378
800-622-5625
www.securitech.com



#150d

160a. Seclusion room door locks

Seclusion Room Lock (surface mount)

Securitech
Maspeth, NY 11378
800-622-5625
www.securitech.com



#160a

160b. Seclusion room door locks

Multi-Point Deadbolt Mortise Lock - UML Series

(concealed mount)

Securitech
Maspeth, NY 11378
800-622-5625
www.securitech.com



#160b

160c. Seclusion room door locks

Schlage; Multipoint Solution # LM9300

Ingersoll Rand Security Technologies
Carmel, IN 46032 US
877-671-7011

us.allegion.com/IRSTDocuments1/104833.pdf



#160c



#160d

160d. Seclusion room door locks

Multi-Bolt Self-Latching Concealed Locksets (USL Series)

Securitech
Maspeth, NY 11378
800-622-5625

www.securitech.com



#161

161. Cross-corridor door locks

Electra Concealed Vertical Rod Latching Lever Locksets #109

Securitech
Maspeth, NY 11378
800-622-5625

www.securitech.com



#162

175a. Wall Stops

KG184 Anti-Ligature Rubber Wall Stop

Kingsway Group USA
Royal Oak, MI 48073
800-783-7980

www.kingswaygroupusa.com



#175a

175b. Wall Stops

KG270-278 Anti-Ligature Extended Rubber Wall Stop

Kingsway Group USA
Royal Oak, MI 48073
800-783-7980
www.kingswaygroupusa.com



#175b

08 87 53 – Security Films

190a. Window film

Scotchshield™ – 14 mil Film with Perimeter Attachment System

3M Specified Construction Products Department
St. Paul, MN 55144
888-364-3577
www.3m.com

190b. Window film

200 Series – Safety and Security Laminate

ACE (Advanced Coatings Engineering)
Newark, DE 19713
888-607-0000
www.usace.com

08 88 53 – Security Glazing

200a. Security glazing

121000 or 121100 ArmorProtect Plus®

Oldcastle Building Envelope®
Dallas, TX 75244
866-653-2278
www.obe.com

200b. Security glazing

9/16Psych-2118

Global Security Glazing
Selma, AL 36703
(800) 633-2513
www.security-glazing.com

(NOTE: meets ASTM F1233 Class 1.4)



#200b

200c. Security glazing

Laminated Annealed Glass w/ SGP Interlayer

Global Security Glazing
Selma, AL 36703
(800) 633-2513
www.security-glazing.com



201a. Polycarbonate sheet glazing – abrasion-resistant

MR10 LEXAN - MARGARD II Sheet

SABIC Americas
Pittsfield, MA 01201
800-323-3783
www.sabic.com



201b. Polycarbonate sheet glazing

Makrolon® GP Sheet

Covestro LLC
Pittsburgh, PA 15205-9723
877-229-3778
www.sheets.covestro.com



205a. Fire-rated glazing

Fireglass; FireLite ®

Technical Glass Products (TGP) (Allegion)
800-426-0279
www.fireglass.com

205b. Fire-rated glazing

Fireglass; WireLite ® - NT

Technical Glass Products (TGP) (Allegion)
800-426-0279
www.fireglass.com



220a. Vision panels

Vision panels, key operation

VISTAMATIC®

Coral Springs, FL 33065

866-466-9525

www.vistamaticvisionpanels.com

220b. Vision panels

Duralux Secure Privacy Vision Panel

Kingsway Group USA

Royal Oak, MI 48073

800-783-7980

www.kingswaygroupusa.com***220c. Vision panels******ViuLite manual or motorized blinds inside glass panels***

Unicel Architectural Corp.

Longueuil, Quebec, Canada J4G 2J4

800-668-1580

www.unicelarchitectural.com

220d. Vision panels

Between Glass Blinds vision panels

VISTAMATIC, LLC

Coral Springs, FL 33065

866-466-9525

www.betweenGlassBlinds.com

220e. Vision panels

IE; Blinds® sealed, integral blind assemblies

IE Blinds

Ben Wheeler, TX 75754

866-267-1917

www.ieblinds.com

221a. Vision panels

Clarity Privacy Glass (electric)

VISTAMATIC®

Coral Springs, FL 33065

866-466-9525

www.vistamaticvisionpanels.com

221b. Vision Panels

Duralux Platinum Switchable Vision Panel (electric)

Kingsway Group USA

Royal Oak, MI 48073

800-783-7980

www.kingswaygroupusa.com**09 00 00 – Finishes****09 21 16 – Gypsum Board**

230a. Impact-resistant gypsum board

Sheetrock® Brand engineered gypsum panels – abuse-resistant

USG Corporation

Chicago, IL 60661

800-874-4968

www.usg.com

#221b

230b. Impact-resistant wallboard

Gold Bond® Brand Hi-Impact® XP® Gypsum Board – moisture- and fire-resistant also has abrasion resistant paper face

National Gypsum Company

Charlotte, NC 28211

704-365-7300

www.nationalgypsum.com

230c. Impact-resistant wallboard

Extreme Impact Resistant Type X Gypsum Board

CertainTeed Corporation
Melvern, PA 19355
800-233-8990
www.certainteed.com

231a. Abrasion-resistant wallboard

Gold Bond® Brand Hi-Abuse® XP® Gypsum Board

National Gypsum Company
Charlotte, NC 28211
704-365-7300
www.nationalgypsum.com

231b. Abrasion-resistant wallboard

Extreme Abuse Resistant Type X Gypsum Board

CertainTeed Corporation
Melvern, PA 19355
800-233-8990
www.certainteed.com

232a. Sound-absorbing wallboard

QuietRock sound-reducing panels

PABCO® Gypsum
Newark, CA 94560
800-797-8159
www.quietrock.com

232b. Sound-absorbing wallboard

Silent FX Quick Cut Noise Reducing Type X Gypsum Board

CertainTeed Corporation
Melvern, PA 19355
800-233-8990
www.certainteed.com

232c. Sound Attenuation wallboard

Gold Bond® Soundboard® XP® Gypsum Board

National Gypsum Company
Charlotte, NC 28211
704-365-7300
www.nationalgypsum.com

09 50 00 – Ceilings

234a. Ceiling Accessories

**MBAC – Main Beam Adapter Clip for attaching gyp. bd.
to ceiling grid**

Armstrong Ceiling Solutions
www.armstrongceilings.com

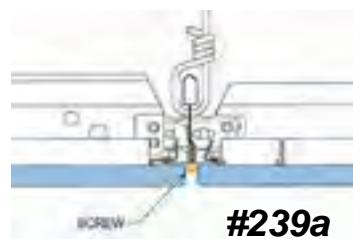


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239a. Tamper-resistant ceiling panels

Metal Works; Vector

Armstrong Ceiling Solutions
877-276-7876
www.armstrongceilings.com

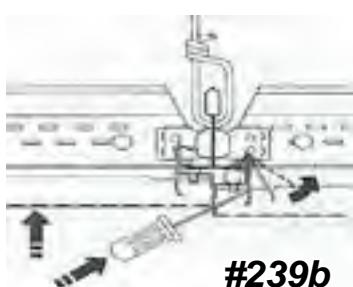


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239b. Tamper-resistant ceiling panels

Metal Works; Clip-On

Armstrong Ceiling Solutions
877-276-7876
www.armstrongceilings.com



#239b

09 65 13 – Resilient Base

240. Wall base

Health Design™ Wall Base

FLEXCO® Corporation
Tuscumbia, AL 35674
800-633-3151
www.flexcofloors.com



241a. Wall base

Visuelle Wall Base

Roppe Corporation, USA
Fostoria, OH 44830
800-537-9527
www.roppe.com



241b. Wall base

Johnsonite "Millwork" Contours Wall Base – PV4065

Tarkett
30000 Aurora Road
Solon, OH 44139
800-899-8916
www.tarkettna.com



09 65 16 – Resilient Flooring

245a. Sheet vinyl flooring

Homogeneous Vinyl Sheet Flooring

Armstrong Flooring, Inc.
Lancaster, PA 17604
888-276-7876
www.armstrong.com



245b. Sheet vinyl flooring

Noraplan sheet flooring

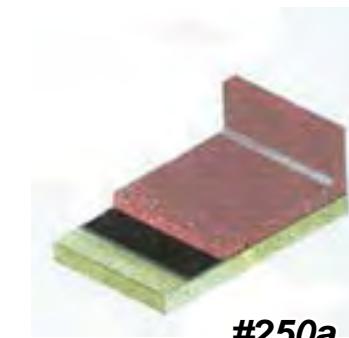
nora® systems, Inc.
Salem, NH 03079
800-332-NORA
www.nora.com/us

09 67 00 – Fluid-Applied Flooring

250a. Seamless floors and base

Cheminert K flooring

Dex-O-Tex
Division of Crossfield Products Corp.
Roselle Park, NJ 07204
908-245-2800
www.dexotex.com



250b. Seamless floors and base

Inclusion or exclusion of a product does not indicate endorsement or disapproval of that product, nor does it suggest that any product is free of risk. All products must be in compliance with the Safety Risk Assessment for each location.

Seamless flooring systems

Dur-A-Flex, Inc.
East Hartford, CT 06108
877-2 51-5418
www.dur-a-flex.com



250c. Seamless floors and base

Sika Corp.; Sikafloor – no top edge trim at integral base

Sika Corporation
Lyndhurst, NJ 07071
800-933-7452
www.sikafloorusa.com

**09 68 16 – Sheet Carpeting**

255. Carpet

Mohawk Group GL 182 Exotic Fauna Sheet Carpet with Unibond Plus Bloc backing

Mohawk Group
Calhoun, GA 30701
800-554-6637
www.Mohawkgroup.com

**09 77 00 – Special Wall Surfacing**

270a. Wall padding

Gold Medal Safety Padding®

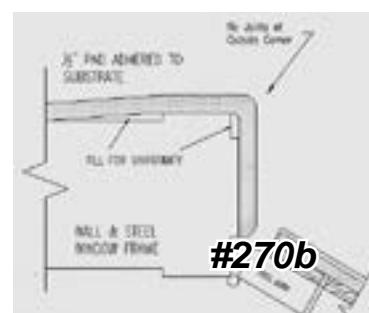
Marathon Engineering Corporation
Lehigh Acres, FL 33913
239-303-7378
goldmedalsafetypadding.com



270b. Wall padding

Surface padding systems

Padded Surfaces by B&E
Indianapolis, IN 46241
888-243-8788
paddedsurfaces.com



272. Seclusion room wall and floor material

Lonfloor Plain – smooth

Lonseal, Inc.
Carson, CA 90745
800-832-7111
www.lonseal.com

09 96 13 – Abrasion Resistant Coatings

280. Wall finish (do not use on floors)

Sto; Decocoat®

Sto Americas
Building 1400, Suite 120
Atlanta, GA 30331
800-221-2397
www.stocorp.com

10 00 00 – SPECIALTIES

10 12 00 – Display Cases

290a. TV enclosure – suicide-resistant

TE450 Ligature-Resistant Protective TV Enclosure

Behavioral Safety Products
Watkinsville, GA 30677
706-705-1500
www.besafepro.com



#290a

290b. TV Enclosure – suicide resistant

Protective Enclosures, FPE55F(H)-S

Peerless A-V
Aurora, IL 60502
800-865-2112
www.perlessemounts.com



#290b

290c. TV enclosure – suicide-resistant

Ligature-resistant TV enclosure

ProEnc

Jersey City, NJ 07302

862-234-5981

www.lcdtvenclosure.com



10 14 00 – Signage

300a. Room signs

Flxsigns

2/90 Sign Systems

Grand Rapids, MI 49512

800-777-4310

www.290signs.com



300b. Room signs

Secure + spec

Creative Signage Systems, Inc.

College Park, MD 20740

800-220-7446

www.creativesignage.com



300c. Room signs

KING KMS® Modular Sign System

King Architectural Products

Bolton, ON, Canada, L7E 2R6

877-857-2804

www.kingarchitecturalproducts.com



300d. Room signs

Safecare Signs

2/90 Sign Systems

Grand Rapids, MI 49512

800-777-4310

www.290signs.com



10 26 16.16 – Protective Corridor Handrails

310a. Corridor handrail

Acrovyn® ligature-resistant handrail with continuous aluminum mounting bracket

Construction Specialties
Muncy, PA 17756
800-233-8493
www.c-sgroup.com



#310a

10 26 23 – Protective Wall Covering

320a. Synthetic wall protection

Avonite® Acrylic products - Wall Protection

Avonite
Belen, NM 87002
800-4-AVONITE
www.avonitesurfaces.com

320b. Synthetic wall protection

Acrovyn by Design® Wall Protection

Construction Specialties
Muncy, PA 17756
800-233-8493
www.c-sgroup.com



#320

320c. Synthetic wall protection

Ricochet Flexible Wall Protection

Inpro Corporation
Muskego, WI 53150
800-222-5556
inprocorp.com



#320c

10 28 13 – Security Toilet Accessories

332a. Grab bar

Anti-Ligature Grab Bar KG270-278

Kingsway Group USA

Royal Oak, MI 48073

800-783-7980

www.kingswaygroupusa.com



#332a

332b. Grab bar

Ligature - Resistant Grab Bar #GB730

Behavioral Safety Products

Watkinsville, GA 30677

706-705-1500

www.besafepro.com



#332b

332c. Grab bar

SAFEBAR® grab bar

Cascade Specialty Hardware, Inc.

Vancouver, WA 98660

360-823-3995

www.cascadesh.com



#332c

332d. Grab bar

SafeSupport® Safe-T Grab Bar #811-S01

Weizel Security

800-308-3627

www.securinghospitals.com



#332d

332e. Grab bar

NW SecurityBar®

Northwest Specialty Hardware, Inc.

Clackamas, OR 97015

503-557-1881

www.northwestsh.com



#332e

337. Grab bar – vertical

SP-3V Vertical Grab Bar

Odd Ball Industries
Greenlawn, NY 11740
631-754-0400
www.oddballindustries.com



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Section
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340. Paper towel dispenser

Paper Towel Dispenser Cover #817-S45 SR™

Weizel Security
800-308-3627
www.securinghospitals.com



#340

340b. Paper towel dispenser

Paper Towel Dispenser # KG02

Kingsway Group USA
Royal Oak, MI 48073
800-783-7980
www.kingswaygroupusa.com



#340b

340c. Paper Towel Dispenser

Ligature - Resistant Paper Towel Dispenser #PH240

Behavioral Safety Products
Watkinsville, GA 30677
706-705-1500
www.besafepro.com



#340c

341. Roll Paper Towel Dispenser

Roll Paper Towel Dispenser #WH1848B

Whitehall Manufacturing
City of Industry, CA 91744
1-800-782-7706
www.whitehallmfg.com



#341

350a. Robe hook – break-away

Robe/Towel Hook # SP6

Odd Ball Industries Mfg. Co., Inc.
Greenlawn, NY 11740
1-631-754-0400
www.oddballindustries.com



350b. Robe hook – break-away

SafeSupport SR Collapsible Towel Hook # SR813-S08

Weizel Security
800-308-3627
www.securinghospitals.com



#350b

350d. Robe hook – break-away

Clothes Hook #NW 608

Northwest Specialty Hardware, Inc.
Clackamas, OR 97015
503-557-1881
www.northwestsh.com



#350d

350e. Robe hook – breakaway

Coat Hook # KG180

Kingsway Group USA
Royal Oak, MI 48073
800-783-7980
www.kingswaygroupusa.com



360a. Security Mirrors

Hybrid Safety Mirror in Guardian Frame

RAO Contract Sales, Inc.
392 Atwood Place
Wyckoff, NJ 07481
800-445-7065
www.rao.com



#360a

360b. Security Mirrors

ROVAL™ stainless steel mirror #20650-B

American Specialties, Inc.
Yonkers, NY 10701
914-476-9000
www.americanspecialties.com



#360b

360c. Security Mirrors

Security mirror #JOC-161

McGrory Glass, Inc.
 Paulsboro, NJ 08066
 856-579-3200
www.mcgrory-glass.com



#360d

360d. Security Mirrors

Sole - Illuminated Mirror for High Abuse Applications

Visa Lighting
 Milwaukee, WI 53209
 800-788-84272
www.visalighting.com



#361a

361a. Mirror guard

Mirror Guard # SP-8

Odd Ball Industries
 Greenlawn, NY 11740
 631-754-0400
www.oddballindustries.com



370a. Recessed shelf

Ligature-Resistant Recessed Shelf (front mount through flange) # RS780

Behavioral Safety Products
 Watkinsville, GA 30677
 706-705-1500
www.besafepro.com



#370b

370b. Recessed Shelf

Ligature-Resistant Recessed Shelf (front mount through flange) #KG12

Kingsway Group USA
 2807 Samoset Road, Suite 200
 Royal Oak, MI 48073
 800-783-7980
www.kingswaygroupusa.com

370c. Recessed shelf

BestCare® Recessed Shelf (front mount through flange) # WH1820FA

Whitehall Manufacturing
City of Industry, CA 91744-0527
800-782-7706
www.whitehallmfg.com



#370c

370d. Recessed shelf

Recessed Shelf (front mount through side) # Model 412

American Specialties, Inc.
Yonkers, NY 10701
914-476-9000
www.americanspecialties.com



#370d

371c. Shelf – surface-mounted

Bookshelf # SA56

Bradley Corporation
Menomonee Falls, WI 53051
800-272-3539
www.bradleycorp.com



371c

380a. Shower seat

ADA Shower Seat

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



#380a

380b. Shower seat

ADA Shower Seat

Brey-Krause Manufacturing Co.
Bethlehem, PA 18018
610-867-1401
www.breykrause.com



#380b

390a. Soap Dish

**Bestcare Bathroom Accessory Solutions #WH1832-PF
(front mount with plaster flange)**

Whitehall Manufacturing
City of Industry, CA 91744
1-800-782-7706
www.whitehallmfg.com

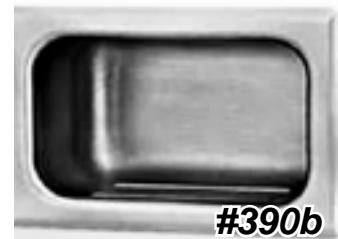


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390b. Soap dish

Norix Group Inc.; Recessed Soap Dish (rear mount)

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
1-800-234-4900
www.norix.com



#390b

391a. Soap dispenser

KG08 Manual Soap Dispenser – Gojo Compatible

Kingsway Group USA
Royal Oak, MI 48073
800-783-7980
www.kingswaygroupusa.com



#391a

391b. Soap dispenser

ADX-12TM Security Enclosure

GOJO Industries, Inc.
Akron, OH 44309
800-321-9647
www.gojo.com



#391b

391c. Soap dispenser

Suicide Prevention Soap Dispenser

Norva Plastics, Inc.

Norfolk, VA 23508

800-826-0758

www.norvaplastics.com



391d. Soap dispenser

Ligature Resistant Soap Dispenser #SD750

Behavioral Safety Products

Watkinsville, GA 30677

706-705-1500

www.besafepro.com



400a. Toilet paper holder

Toilet Roll Holder # KG13

Kingsway Group USA

Royal Oak, MI 48073

800-783-7980

www.kingswaygroupusa.com



400b. Toilet paper holder

***Toilet Roll Holder #WH1847B Series (Recessed model)
(1845B) also available***

Whitehall Manufacturing

City of Industry, CA 91744

1-800-782-7706

www.whitehallmfg.com



400c Toilet paper holder

Surface Mount Toilet Roll Holder # KG03

Kingsway Group USA

Royal Oak, MI 48073

800-783-7980

www.kingswaygroupusa.com



#400c

400d Toilet paper holder

Ligature Resistant Toilet Paper Holder #TR740

Behavioral Safety Products

Watkinsville, GA 30677

706-705-1500

www.besafepro.com



#400d

400f. Toilet paper holder

Safety Toilet Paper Holder #C-400

Cascade Specialty Hardware, Inc.

Vancouver, WA 98660

360-823-3995

www.cascadesh.com



#400f

400h. Toilet paper holder

Suicide-Resistant Toilet Paper Dispenser

Norva Plastics, Inc.

Norfolk, VA 23508

800-826-0758

www.norvaplastics.com



#400h

410a. Undersink protection

Truebro® Lav Shield®

IPS® Corporation

Compton, CA 90220

310-898-3300

www.truebro.com



#410a

410b. Undersink protection

Undersink Enclosure #831-S27 SRTM

Weizel Security

800-308-3627

www.securinghospitals.com

10 86 00 – Security Mirrors and Domes

420a. Convex mirrors

DuraVision Quarter Dome Mirror

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



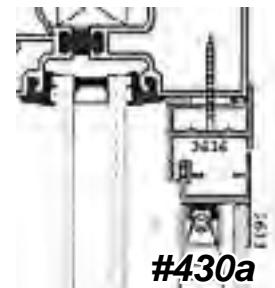
12 00 00 – FURNISHINGS

12 21 13 – Horizontal Louver Blinds

430a. Aluminum window with integral blind

Storefront with hinged sash and integral blind #2450 Series

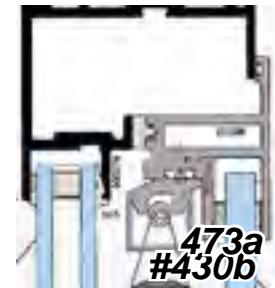
Manko Window Systems, Inc.
Manhattan, KS 66502
800-642-1488
www.mankowindows.com



430b. Aluminum window with integral blind

Psychiatric Windows with integral blind #2187-DT

Wausau Window and Wall Systems
Wausau, WI 54401
877-678-2983
www.wausauwindow.com



430c. Aluminum window with integral blind - removable

Medium-Security Mental Health Security Window # SS-5100

Sherwood Windows Group
Toronto, Ontario M9W 5E3
Canada
800-770- 5256
www.sherwoodwindows.com



434a. Exterior windows - ventilation

Safevent Windows

Britplas
 Woolston, Warrington WA1 4RW
 England
 +44-1925-824317
www.britplas.com



434b. Exterior windows - ventilation

Operable Security Window # SW-6300

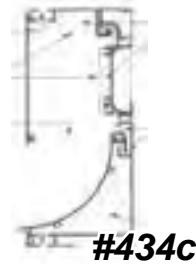
Sherwood Windows Group
 Toronto, Ontario M9W 5E3
 Canada
 800-770-5256
www.sherwoodwindows.com



434c. Exterior windows - ventilation

512 Ventrow Ventilator

Kawneer North America
 Norcross, GA 30092
 770-449-5555
www.kawneer.com



12 21 33 – Roll-Down Blinds

440a. Roller blinds

Webb Lok cordless roller shades

Inpro
 Muskego, WI 53150
 800-222-5556
<https://www.inprocorp.com/clickeze-privacy-systems/specalty-window-shades>

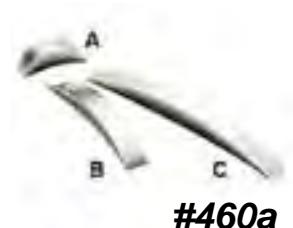


12 35 70 – Healthcare Case Work

460a. Cabinet pulls

Cabinet Pull # DP74C

Doug Mockett & Company, Inc.
Torrance, CA 90501
800-523-1269
www.mockett.com



460b. Cabinet pulls

Zinc Handle – polished chrome finish #104.66.200

Hafele America Co.
Archdale, NC 27263
800-423-3531
www.hafele.com/us/en



460c. Cabinet pulls

Arc Cabinet Pull #DP18

Doug Mockett & Company, Inc.
Torrance, CA 90501
800-523-1269
www.mockett.com



465a. Cabinet locks – keyless

eLock®: Cabinet version #300 Series

CompX Security Products
847-752-2500
www.compxelock.com



465b. Cabinet locks – keyless

dialock

Hafele America Co.
800-423-3531
www.hafele.com/us/en



465c. Cabinet locks – keyless

eLock: Cabinet Version #100 Series

CompX Security Products
Mauldin, SC 29662
864-297-6655
www.compxelock.com

470a. Tamper-resistant screws

Socket Security & Torx Security

Tamperproof Screw Company, Inc.
Hicksville, NY 11801
516-931-1616
www.tamperproof.com



#470a

470b. Tamper-resistant screws

Security Pin Torx Screws and Bits

Northwest Specialty Hardware, Inc.
Clackamas, OR 97015
503-557-1881
www.northwestsh.com



#470b

12 44 16 – Shower Doors

473a. Shower doors

Wanford ShowerDoor

Safehinge-Primera
UK
0330-058-0988
www.safehingeprimera.com



#470a

473b. Shower doors

En-Suite Patient Bathroom Door w/ Shower Door

Option: #SHDUS02

Kingsway Group USA
Royal Oak, MI 48073
800-783-7980
www.kingswaygroupusa.com



#473b

473c. Shower doors

Sentinel Event Reduction Shower Door

Norva Plastics, Inc.
Norfolk, VA 23508
800-826-0758
www.norvaplastics.com



473c

473d. Shower doors

Soft Suicide Prevention Door

Kennon Products, Inc.
Sheridan, WY 82801
307-674-6498
www.suicideproofing.com



#473d

473e. Shower door hinge

**SwingHinge double action continuous hinge for
SHOWER DOOR with surface cap and hinge cover
plate # KG203**

Kingsway Group USA
Royal Oak, MI 48073
800-783-7980
www.kingswaygroupusa.com



#473e

473f. Shower door rubber fin

**Shower System Rubber Fin and mounting Section with
top fixing bracket #SRF01**

Kingsway Group USA
Royal Oak, MI 48073
800-783-7980
www.kingswaygroupusa.com



#473f

12 46 23 – Decorative Crafts

475. Vinyl artwork

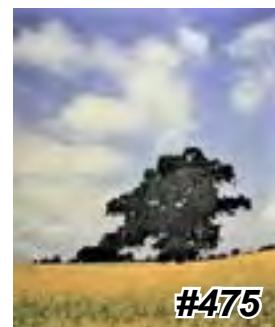
Soft Suicide Prevention Artwork (SSPA)

Kennon Products, Inc.

Sheridan, WY 82801

307-674-6498

www.suicideproofing.com



476a. Ligature-resistant frames

Solid surface frames

Custom Design Frameworks

Mechanicsville, VA 23111

804-476-4233

www.customdesignframeworks.com



476b. Ligature-resistant frames

AF550 Ligature-Resistant Art Frame

Behavioral Safety Products

Watkinsville, GA 30677

706-705-1500

www.besafepro.com



476c. Display boards

Tak-Les Bulletin Board with Guardian Frame

RAO Contract Sales, Inc.

Paterson, NJ 07501

800-445-7065

www.rao.com



12 52 70 – Healthcare Seating

479a. Stools

OFS Brands; Boost Ottoman

OFS Brands

Huntingburg, IN 47542

800-521-5381

info@ofsbrands.com



479b. Stools

Norix: Slammer Stool Series

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



#479b

480a. Sand-ballasted seating

Ultra-Max Series

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



#480a

480b. Sand-ballasted seating

Pineapple; Skye Plus ASKYP1-400

Pineapple Contracts
Clawson, MI 48017
800-496-9324
www.pineapplecontracts.com



#480b

480c. Sand-ballasted seating

Hardi Series Dining Chair #8701

Spec Furniture Inc.
Toronto, Ontario M9W 5B1
Canada
888-761-7732
www.specfurniture.com



#480c

481a. Lightweight seating

Integra Series chairs

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



#481a

481b. Lightweight seating

RazorBack Chair

Cortech® USA
Willowbrook, IL 60527
800-571-0770
www.cortechusa.com



#481b

481c. Lightweight seating

Stackable chair #5000-20 Modumaxx

Moduform
Fitchburg, MA 01420
800-221-6638
www.moduform.com



#481c

481d. Lightweight seating

Boden Series seating

Pineapple Contracts, Inc.
Clawson, MI 48017
800-496-9324
www.pineapplecontracts.com



#481d

482a. Upholstered seating

Sierra Series chairs with solid arms

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



#482a

482b. Upholstered seating

**Meridian Behavioral Health Seating – chair #
ML30/27BH**

Nemschoff
Sheboygan, WI 53081
800-203-8916
www.nemschoff.com



#482g

#482b

482c. Upholstered seating

Wink Series Chair

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



#482c

482d. Upholstered seating

Endurance Series

Blockhouse Company, Inc.
York, PA 17406
800-346-1126
www.blockhouse.com



#482d

482e. Upholstered seating

Dignity Series #4501M

Spec Furniture Inc.
Toronto, Ontario M9W 5B1
Canada
888-761-7732
www.specfurniture.com



482f. Upholstered seating

Carrara

Kwalu
Atlanta, GA 30328
877-695-9258
www.kwalu.com



#482f

482g. Upholstered seating

Arcadia Series

Blockhouse Company, Inc.
York, PA 17406
800-346-1126
www.blockhouse.com



482h. Upholstered seating

Sierra Series chairs with open arms

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



#482h

482i. Upholstered seating

Skye Plus ASKYP1-400

Pineapple Contracts, Inc.

Clawson, MI 48017

800-496-9324

www.pineapplecontracts.com

482j. Upholstered seating

Domus Lounge Seating

Pineapple Contracts, Inc.

Clawson, MI 48017

800-496-9324

www.pineapplecontracts.com

482k. Upholstered seating

Chaise Lounge Chair

Blockhouse Company, Inc.

York, PA 17406

800-346-1126

www.blockhouse.com

483a. Rockers

RockSmart

Norix Group, Inc.

West Chicago, IL 60185

800-234-4900

www.norix.com

483b. Rockers

Hardi Rocking Chair

Spec Furniture

888-761-7732

specfurniture.com

483c. Rockers

Endurance Series Rocker

Blockhouse Company, Inc.
York, PA 17406
800-346-1126
www.blockhouse.com



484a. PVC molded seating

Forte™ Lounge

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



484d. PVC molded seating

Hondo® Nuevo

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com

**12 56 70 – Healthcare Furniture**

485a. Tables

Jupiter Series Tables

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



485b. Tables

Madera Series Tables

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



#485b

485c. Tables

Tabla Series Drum Tables

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



#485c

490a. Electrically adjustable hospital bed

Behavioral Health Bed™

Sizewise
Lenexa, KS 66215
800-814-9389
www.sizewise.com



#490a

490b. Electrically adjustable hospital bed

Spirit Bed with Mental Health Package

CHG Hospital Beds
London, ON N6E 1R6
Canada
866-516-5446
www.chgbeds.com



#490b

490c. Electrically adjustable hospital bed

MedSurg Bed #S3

Stryker
Kalamazoo, MI 49002
269-385-2600
www.stryker.com



#490c

490d. Electrically adjustable hospital bed

Mental Health Electric Bed

Umano Medical, Inc.

G0R 2Co, Canada

1-844-409-4030

www.umanomedical.com



#490d

491a. Bedding

One Piece Comfort and Safety Linen

Harm Reduction Solutions

San Diego, CA 92117

858-500-2110

www.harmreductionsolutions.com



#491a

492a. Behavioral health mattresses

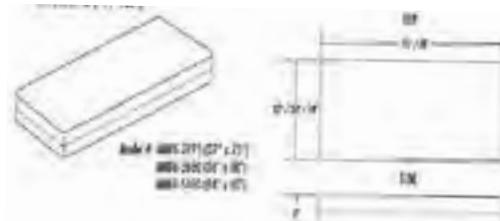
Comfort Shield® Remedy Sealed Seam Mattress

Norix Group, Inc.

West Chicago, IL 60185

800-234-4900

www.norix.com



#492a

492b. Behavioral Health Mattresses

Victory Series Mattresses

Sizewise

Lenexa, KS 66215800-814-9389

www.sizewise.net



492c. Behavioral health mattresses

Behavioral Health Mattress with Bed Bug Protection

BioArmour™ Infection Control Composite Laminate Surface

American Innovation Products

Trinity, NC 27370

814-490-0660

www.americaninnovationproducts.com



#492c

492d. Behavioral health mattresses

Closed System™ Behavioral Health Mattress

Comfortex®

Winona, MN 55987

800-445-4007

www.comfortexinc.com

493a. Platform bed

Attenda Series Roto Cast Bed

Norix Group, Inc.

West Chicago, IL 60185

800-234-4900

www.norix.com

493d. Platform bed

Behavioral Health Beds # BHBP/68 and BHHD/68

Nemschoff

Sheboygan, WI 53081

800-203-8916

www.nemschoff.com

493e. Platform bed

Pineapple; Sovie Bed 1SVFA-100

Pineapple Contracts, Inc.

Clawson, MI 48017

800-496-9324

www.pineapplecontracts.com

493g. Platform bed

Behavioral Health Bed™ - Platform

Sizewise

Lenexa, KS 66215

800-814-9389

www.sizewise.com

493h. Platform bed

Frontier bed

Stance Healthcare
Kitchener, ON N2C 0B8
877-395-2623
www.stancehealthcare.com



494a. Platform bed – lift-accessible

Sleigh Bed

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



494b. Platform bed riser – lift-accessible

Platform Bed Riser

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



495a. Patient room furniture

VISTA Series

Blockhouse Company, Inc.
York, PA 17406
800-346-1126
www.blockhouse.com



495b. Patient room furniture

Safehouse Series

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



495c. Patient room furniture

Safe & Tough series

This End Up® Furniture Company, Inc.
Sanford, NC 27331
800-605-2130
www.thisendup.com/groupliving.com



495d. Patient room furniture

Endurance Series

Cortech® USA
Willowbrook, IL 60527
800-571-0770
www.cortechusa.com



495e. Patient room furniture

Attenda Series

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
800-234-4900
www.norix.com



496a. Patient room cabinets

Fortress Wardrobes

Moduform
Fitchburg, MA 01420
800-221-6638
www.moduform.com



496b. Patient Room cabinets

Frontier bedside cabinet – flip style

Stance Healthcare
Kitchener, ON N2C 0B8
877-395-2623
www.stancehealthcare.com



496c. Patient Room cabinets

CPAP Cabinet

Blockhouse Company, Inc.
 York, PA 17406
 800-346-1126
www.blockhouse.com



#496c

497a. Restraint bed

450 Series Seclusion Beds (restraint loops optional)

Moduform
 Fitchburg, MA 01420
 800-221-6638
www.moduform.com



#497a

497b. Restraint bed

Duraguard bed with side bars

Glasspec Corporation
 Miami, FL 33256-0116
 800-328-0888
www.glasspec.com



#497b

498a. Removable Restraint Loops

Attenda Restraint Rings (for use with Attenda beds)

Norix Group, Inc.
 West Chicago, IL 60185
 800-234-4900
www.norix.com



#498a

498b. Removable Restraint Loops

Restraint Adapter and Buckle System

SydLo Design LLC
 South Range, Wisconsin
 218-310-4351
SydLoDesignLLC.com



#498b

499a. Nurse servers

WALLAroo®

Carstens®, Inc.
Chicago, IL 60706
800-782-1524
www.carstens.com



499b. Nurse servers

Proximity EXT-28

Proximity Systems
800-437-8111
www.proximitysystems.com

#499a

12 93 43 – Site Furnishings - Seating and Tables

510. Outdoor Furniture

Hilltop Outdoor Furniture

Norix Group, Inc.
West Chicago, IL 60185
1-800-234-4900
www.norix.com



21 00 00 - Fire Suppression

21 13 13 - Fire Suppression Sprinkler Systems

520a. Fire sprinklers

Raven 5.6K Institutional Sprinklers

TYCO Fire Protection Products
Lansdale, PA 19446
800-523-6512
www.tyco-fire.com



#510

520b. Fire sprinklers

819-S17 SR Sprinkler

Weizel Security
800-308-3627
www.securinghospitals.com



#520a

521a. Fire extinguisher cabinet

BestCare® Ligature-Resistant Recessed Fire Extinguisher Cabinet WH1704

Whitehall Manufacturing
City of Industry, CA 91744-0527
800-782-7706
www.whitehallmfg.com



#521a

22 43 00 – Plumbing Fixtures

22 43 13 – Healthcare Water Closets

531. Toilet fixture, ADA–floor-mounted, back outlet

Huron EverClean Flushometer Toilet with integral seat

American Standard
Piscataway, NJ 08855
800-488-8049
www.americanstandard-us.com



#531

533. Solid-surface toilet fixture

CWC-156 AST-FF Behavioral HealthCare Toilet

Intersan Manufacturing Company
Phoenix, AZ 85007
602-254-3101
www.intersan.us



#533

534a. Stainless steel toilet

ETW-1490 Series

Willoughby Industries
Indianapolis, IN 46268
800-428-4065
www.willoughby-ind.com



#534a

534b. Toilet fixture – stainless steel

**BestCare® Ligature-Resistant Toilet, Wall Supply,
WH2142-W**

Whitehall Manufacturing
City of Industry, CA 91744
800-782-7706
www.whitehallmfg.com



#534b

536. Bariatric toilet fixtures

BET-1490 Series – Bariatric toilets

Willoughby Industries
Indianapolis, IN 46268
800-428-4065
www.willoughby-ind.com



#536

22 43 16 – Healthcare Sinks

540a. Wall-Hung Corner Lavatories

**BestCare® Ligature-Resistant, ADA Compliant Corterra
Cast Solid Surface Corner Basin; WH3776 Series**

Whiteall Manufacturing
City of Industry, CA 91744-0527
800-782-7706
www.whitehallmfg.com



#540a

541a. Wall-Hung Lavatories

**HSL1 SafeCare Ligature-Resistant Lavatory – stainless
steel or high- impact polymer trap cover**

Bradley Corporation
Menomonee Falls, WI 53051
800-272-3539
www.bradleycorp.com



#541a

542a. Vanity top lavatory

Suicide Prevention Patient Sink Faucet

Norva Plastics, Inc
Norfolk, VA 23508
800-826-0758
www.norvaplastics.com



#542a

542b. Vanity top lavatory

Avonite® Acrylic Solid Surfaces

Avonite Surfaces
Florence, KY 41042
800-354-9858
www.avonite.com



#545

545. Hand Washing

Wallgate; Thrii (soap, water, drying)

Intersan Manufacturing Company
Phoenix, AZ 85007
602-254-3101
www.intersan.us



#545

22 43 19 – Healthcare Bathtubs and Showers

550a. Shower head – ligature resistant

SP-7 Shower Head

Odd Ball Industries Mfg. Co., Inc.
Greenlawn, NY 11740
631-754-0400
www.oddballindustries.com



#550a

550c. Shower head – ligature resistant

Ligature-Resistant Shower Head – SH330

Behavioral Safety Products
Watkinsville, GA 30677
706-705-1500
www.besafepro.com



#550c

552a. Shower Control Valve

WH538-CSH Ligature-Resistant Shower Head and Valve

Whitehall Manufacturing
City of Industry, CA 91744-0527
800-782-7706
www.whitehallmfg.com



#563c

552b. Shower valve

Ligature-Resistant Shower Valve – SV230

Behavioral Safety Products
Watkinsville, GA 30677
706-705-1500
www.besafepro.com



#552b

552c. Shower valve

834-S40 SRTM Retrofit Shower Knob

Weizel Security
800-308-3627
www.securinghospitals.com



#552c

552d. Shower valve

Sense™ DMV2 – Individual Shower concealed electronic mixing valve with optional stainless steel cover

Armstrong International
Three Rivers, MI 49093
269-273-1415
www.armstronginternational.com



#552d

Patented Stainless Steel Cover Plate

555a. Shower diverter valve

834-SN2 SRTM Diverter Valve Assembly

Weizel Security
800-308-3627
www.securinghospitals.com



#555a

560a. Shower assembly

BestCare® Flush-Mount Ligature-Resistant Security Shower WH1741-CSH

Whitehall Manufacturing
City of Industry, CA 91744-0527
800-782-7706
www.whitehallmfg.com

#560a



560b. Shower assembly

SR834-S35 SRTM Shower Panel

Weizel Security
800-308-3627
www.securinghospitals.com



#560b

560c. Shower assembly

Ligature-Resistant Shower Panel #SV710

Behavioral Safety Products
Watkinsville, GA 30677
706-705-1500
www.besafepro.com

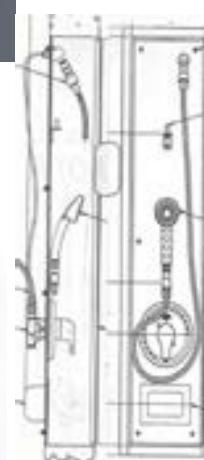


#560c

562. Shower assembly – recessed hand-held

M0418-E508 in locking box

Acorn Engineering
City of Industry, CA 91746
800-488-8999
www.acorneng.com



#562

563a. Shower assembly – handicapped accessible

Dual Quick Connect – Wall Mounted Shower Head with Integral Diverter #42020US

Intersan Manufacturing Company
Phoenix, AZ 85007
602-254-3101
www.intersan.us



#563a

563b. Shower assembly – handicapped accessible

Quick release hand held shower head; Model 40707

Intersan Manufacturing Company
Phoenix, AZ 85007
800-999-3101
www.intersanus.com



#563c

563c. Shower assembly – handicapped accessible

BestCare® Flush-Mount Ligature-Resistant Security Shower with Dual Heads WH1741-FH-CSH

Whitehall Manufacturing
City of Industry, CA 91744-0527
800-782-7706
www.whitehallmfg.com



#563c

22 43 23 – Shower Receptors and Basins

564a. Shower linear drain

ProLine drain with “dots” cover

QuickDrain USA
Frisco, CO 80443
866-998-6685
www.quickdrainusa.com



#564a

565a. Ligature Resistant Drain Cover

Crocodile Roll Resistant Floor Drain; 303070X

Intersan Manufacturing Company
Phoenix, AZ 85007
800-999-3101
www.intersanus.com



#565a

565b. Ligature Resistant Drain Cover

Tower Industries; Anti-Ligature Drain Cover – Model SDC-AL-1-S

Tower Industries
Massillon, OH 44647
330-837-2216
www.towershowers.com



#565b

565c. Ligature Resistant Drain Cover

BestCare® Ligature-Resistant Floor Drain Grate WHDG Series

Whitehall Manufacturing
City of Industry, CA 91746
800-782-7706
www.whitehallmfg.com



565d. Ligature Resistant Drain Cover

BestCare® Ligature-Resistant Linear Drain with Flashing Flange WHLD Series

Whitehall Manufacturing
City of Industry, CA 91746
800-782-7706
www.whitehallmfg.com



566. One-piece patient toilet room floor

UniFloor

Bestbath®
Caldwell, ID 83605
800-727-9907
www.bestbath.com



567a. Shower floor basin

The Swan Corporation, Swanstone Solid Surface Shower Floors

The Swan Corporation
St. Louis, MO. 63101
1-314-231-8148
www.theswancorp.com



567b. Shower floor basin

Roll-in shower with front trench

Watermark
Nashville, TN 37204
615-291-6111
www.watermarksolidsurface.com



567c. Shower floor basin

AquaSurf solid surface shower bases

Willoughby Industries
Indianapolis, IN 46268
800-428-4065
www.willoughby-ind.com



#567c

568a. Pre-built bathrooms

Pre-Built Bathrooms

Eggrock, LLC
Littleton, MA 01460
978-952-8800
www.eggrock.com



#568a

568b. Pre-built bathrooms

SurePods™

Oldcastle®
Orlando, FL 32837
407-859-7034
<https://oldcastlesurepods.com>

22 43 39 – Healthcare Faucets

570a. Lavatory faucet

Ligature-Resistant Metering Faucet – SF380

Behavioral Safety Products
Watkinsville, GA 30677
706-705-1500
www.besafepro.com



#570a

570b. Lavatory faucet

Suicide Prevention Patient Sink Faucet

Norva Plastics, Inc
Norfolk, VA 23508
800-826-0758
www.norvaplastics.com



#570b

570c. Lavatory faucet

BestCare® Ligature-resistant, ADA-compliant faucet

3377 w/2 two pneumatic buttons

Whiteall Manufacturing

City of Industry, CA 91744-0527

800-782-7706

www.whitehallmfg.com



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570d. Lavatory faucet

BestCare® Ligature-resistant, ADA-compliant Sensor faucet #WH3375-SO

Whitehall Manufacturing

City of Industry, CA 91744-0527

800-782-7706

www.whitehallmfg.com



#570d

574. Lavatory with countertop valve

Lavatory Valve

Odd Ball Industries

Greenlawn, NY 11740

631-754-0400

www.oddballindustries.com



#574

22 43 43 – Plumbing Fixture Flushometers

580. Recessed flush valve

Royal 611 & WB-1-A Easy Access Wall Box

Sloan®

Franklin Park, IL 60131

800-982-5839

www.sloan.com



#580

581a. Recessed flush valve

Regal 955 Hydraulic Concealed Flushometer & WB-1-A Easy Access Wall Box

Sloan®

Franklin Park, IL 60131

800-982-5839

www.sloan.com



#581a

581b. Recessed flush valve

CX Manual Flushometer (Recessed)

Sloan®

Franklin Park, IL 60131

800-982-5839

www.sloan.com



#581b

581c. Recessed flush valve

3-inch Push Button Assembly for Concealed Flush Valves – P6000-NL3

Zurn Industries

Milwaukee, WI 53204

855-663-9876

www.zurn.com



#585a

585a. Flush valve cover

HSC79 SafeCare Ligature-Resistant Flush Valve Cover

Bradley Corporation

W142N9101 Fountain Boulevard Menomonee Falls, WI

53051

800-272-3539

www.bradleycorp.com



#585b

585c. Flush valve cover

831-S39 SRTM Flush Valve Cover

Weizel Security

Coquitlam, BC, Canada V3K 6V5

800-308-3627

www.securinghospitals.com



#585c

585d. Flush valve cover

Ligature-Resistant Box with Flush Valve WH2802 – for various toilet or urinal

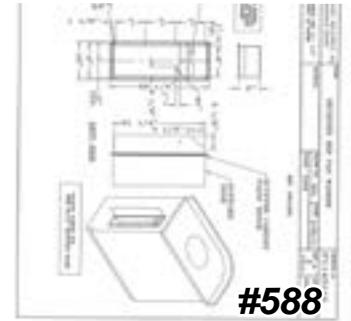
Whitehall Manufacturing
City of Industry, CA 91744-0527
800-782-7706
www.whitehallmfg.com



588. Recessed bedpan washer

Recessed Bedpan Washer

Willoughby Industries
Indianapolis, IN 46268
800-428-4065
www.willoughby-ind.com



22 47 00 – Water Station Water Coolers

589a. Drinking water cup filling stations

B103-C2-HR Water Bottle Filling Station Cup Dispenser and Disposal with security features

Filtrine Manufacturing Company
Keene, NH 03431
800-930-3367
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22 60 00 – Gas and Vacuum Systems

590a. Medical gas covers

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925-427-7800
www.hsiheadwalls.com



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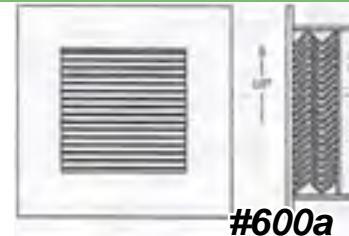
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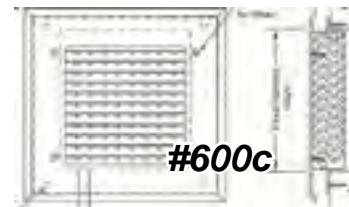
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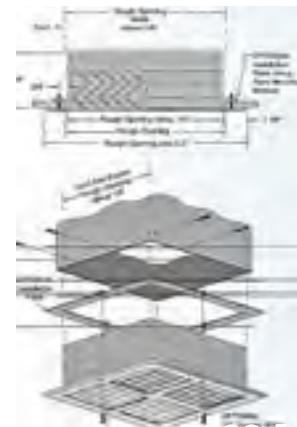
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603a. Air grilles - Perforated

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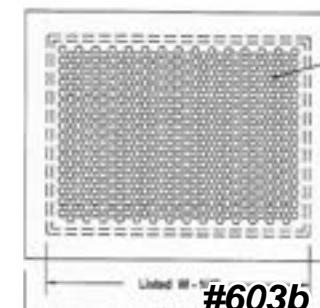
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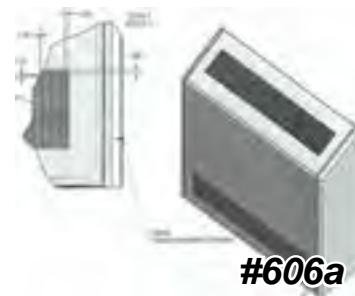
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606a. Fan coil enclosures

Fan Coil Covers - Security

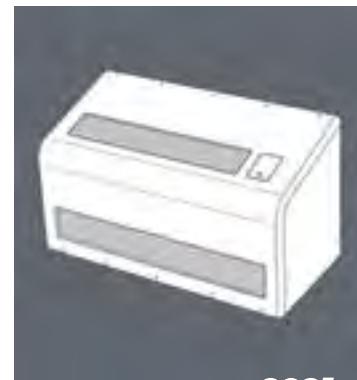
ARSCO Manufacturing Company
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609b. Air grilles - Perforated

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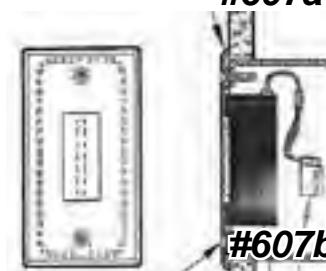
Kele, Inc.
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610a. Hospital-grade receptacles

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612a. Polycarbonate electrical coverplates

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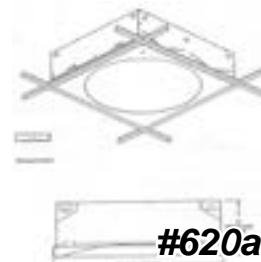
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Symmetry tamper-resistant light fixture

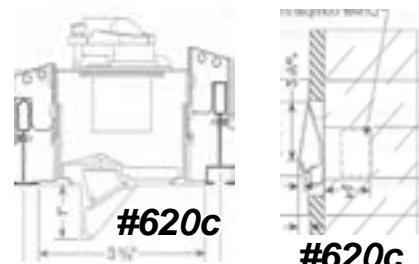
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620c. Light fixture

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620f. Light fixture

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620h. Light fixture

Ligature & Vandal-Resistant 6" LED downlight #MRV-06858

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620k. Light fixture

Shat-R-Shield - Ironclad VR Pro surface mounted vandal-resistant fixture #494F12

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620l. Light fixture

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Visa Lighting; Gig with BH1 mounting bracket & polycarbonate lens

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630. Downlight cover

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639a. Night-light

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639b. Night-light

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26 53 00 – Exit Signs

640a. Exit signs, LED – vandal-resistant

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643. Covers

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800-826-0758
www.norvaplastics.com



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27 00 00 – Communications

27 32 13 – Telephone Sets

645a. Stainless steel wall phones

GB306V-14 Vandal-Resistant Telephone with 14" armored cord

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Henderson, NV 89014
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645b. Stainless steel wall phones

SSW-321-X Ceeco Stainless Steel Wall Phone

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Fountain Valley, CA 92708
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645c. Stainless steel wall phones

JP3500 Armored Courtesy Phone

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800-884-4835
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#645c

27 52 23 – Nurse Call/Code Blue Systems

650a. Wireless duress alarm

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650f. Wireless duress alarm

B3000n Communication Badge

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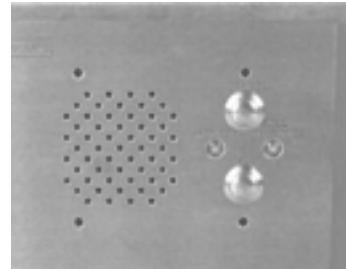
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653. Nurse call system – vandal-resistant

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System High Security Staff Duty Station

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654. Pushbutton switch – vandal-resistant

PV1-PV8 Anti-Vandal Switches

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Minneapolis, MN 55428
800-867-2717
<http://www.e-switch.com/>



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28 00 00 – Electronic Safety and Security

28 40 00 – Electronic Monitoring and Control

660. Metal Detectors

Metasens; Proscreen 200

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32 00 00 – Exterior Improvements

32 31 13 – Security Fencing

675a. Security fencing

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675d. Security fencing

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