

SDSD Detention Services Bureau—Las Colinas Detention and Reentry Facility Green Sheet

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SUBJECT:	PSYCHIATRIC STABILIZATION UNIT (PSU)

PROCEDURE

I. REFERRALS FOR PSYCHIATRIC EVALUATION

Any person with knowledge of relevant psychiatric information (behavior, statements, risk factors, etc.) may refer an incarcerated person to health staff for an evaluation.

PSU NEW ADMISSIONS

Incarcerated persons may be admitted into PSU voluntarily or involuntarily. PSU staff will notify the PSU control deputy when there is a new admission.

II. PROHIBITED PROPERTY

A. PSU nursing staff and sworn staff will be responsible for searching PSU incarcerated person's property. The following items will not be allowed in the PSU:

1. Over the counter medications purchased through commissary
2. Caffeinated drinks
3. Candy for noncompliant diabetic incarcerated persons
4. Tube socks
5. Cotton blankets
6. Afro picks and brushes

B. Any property deemed unsafe or unsuitable by PSU staff, will be placed in a brown paper bag with the incarcerated person's name and booking number and placed into a secured area in the PSU. The property will be given back to the incarcerated person when the incarcerated person is discharged from the PSU.

III. STANDARD ISSUED ITEMS

PSU incarcerated persons will be issued 2 green safety blankets, 2 pairs of socks, 1 bra and 2 pairs of underwear. Incarcerated persons that do not have a razor restriction will be issued a razor on Saturdays. All incarcerated persons issued a razor will be supervised by nursing and sworn staff inside the shower area. Incarcerated persons that have a razor restriction will be allowed to use electric shavers. The electric shavers will be disinfected after every use by nursing staff.

IV. PROGRAMS IN PSU

Programs, religious services and other activities will be conducted in the multipurpose room, dayroom, recreation yard or the interview room depending on the activity or event.

V. CLOSE WATCH CELLS (23-26)

Due to the unpredictable behavior of PSU incarcerated persons, it is sometimes necessary to move an incarcerated person to another cell for closer observation and/or remove certain items.

A. Close Observation

If nursing staff or a psychiatrist determines an incarcerated person requires closer observation but does not have suicidal or homicidal ideations, they will be placed in a close watch cell. The incarcerated person can keep their clothes and property. The incarcerated person can be cleared by a PSU nurse. An ISR must be written.

B. Suicide Precaution

If the incarcerated person has voiced suicidal or homicidal ideations and has been admitted on an involuntary status, they will be placed in a close watch cell. All clothing and property will be removed. The incarcerated person will be given a mattress, 1 safety garment, a pair of sandals and 2 safety blankets. However, due to the unpredictable behavior of PSU incarcerated persons, it may be necessary to confiscate certain items from the incarcerated person. This will be done on a case by case basis. The cell must also be searched for contraband once per shift and logged under CELL CHECK CONDUCTED in JIMS. The incarcerated person must be cleared by a psychiatrist before returning to their cell. An ISR must be written.