



Adult acute wards - Whiteleaf Centre

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Nursing staff will check your property with you on arrival at the ward. This leaflet provides information about items that you should bring to hospital, restricted items that should be kept in your locker, and prohibited items. The following is a list of items that you should bring into hospital:

- One small suitcase (hand luggage size) or a small holdall containing clothing and toiletries.
- No more than four changes of clothing (washing machine facilities are available), including socks and underwear. Please ensure that these are weather appropriate and please do not bring clothing that exposes the midriff or cleavage.
- Pyjamas and slippers.
- Comfortable footwear suitable for indoor and outdoor use.
- Basic toiletries.

- Money: you may bring a maximum of £20. Patients may deposit larger amounts of money with the cashier; for opening hours, please ask a member of staff. Staff may limit your available funds depending on how your ability to manage your money is affected by your mental state. They may also limit your money if they believe that you may be at risk of financial exploitation.
- We advise that you do not bring valuable jewellery into hospital and that any other jewellery you bring in is kept to a minimum. If you do bring valuable jewellery into hospital, then staff may suggest that you hand this in for safe-keeping by the patient's welfare team until a family member can take it home or you leave hospital.
- Please bring your prescription medication. This will be kept in the clinic room and will be administered by a qualified nurse.

## Restricted items

Restricted items are allowed on the wards, but should be kept in your locker. Restricted items include:

- Razors. We advise that you use alternative hair removal such as cold wax strips or hair removal cream wherever possible.
- Mobile telephones and chargers can be used at specified times so as not to interfere with the therapeutic nature of the ward. Telephone use may be restricted at the nurses' discretion; nursing staff will be happy to advise. The use of camera and recording functions on mobile telephones is strictly prohibited.
- Aerosols.
- Lighters and matches. These are only made accessible when a person is going on leave.
- Hair straighteners, curling/waving wands and hair dryers. Please note that hair dryers are available on the ward.

- CDs and DVDs. Any containing explicit or violent content may be removed until you are discharged so as to avoid distress to other patients.
- Toiletries in glass containers and nail scissors.

## Banned items

If staff consider any of your items to be inappropriate, you may be asked to arrange for the item to be returned to your home. Banned items are not to be taken into hospital, these include:

- Bladed items, such as scissors, knives and any other breakable/sharp materials. This list is not exhaustive and staff may remove any item that they feel could pose a clinical risk.
- Cameras and recording equipment. The use of cameras and recording equipment is strictly prohibited to protect the confidentiality of other patients.
- Weapons.
- Illicit drugs and legal highs.

- Alcohol.
- Plastic bags.
- Tablet computers and laptops.
- Any device that has recording or photography facilities.
- Duvets and pillows (due to fire safety regulations and infection control). The ward provides appropriate bedding and towels.

Nursing staff may ask that a friend, relative or care co-ordinator takes property back to your home if it is deemed inappropriate for the ward environment. If this is not possible, the item may be removed from the ward and kept safely until you can arrange for it to be returned to your home.

Please do not bring extra belongings into hospital during your admission. Staff may ask that excessive property is collected and returned to your home address.

Please make note of the patient property disclaimer which is displayed on the ward:

*Oxford Health NHS FT will not be liable for any lost, damaged or stolen items.*

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We aim to provide you with a high quality service at all times. However, if you have any concerns, complaints or comments about your experience of our service then please tell a member of the team or contact the PALS and complaints team on freephone 0800 328 7971.

If you need the information in another language or format please ask us

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