

## Environmental Safety Risk Assessment

### Inpatient Behavioral Health Settings

(Compiled from tools in the public domain)

Risk Reduction Feature	Compliant		Risk Rating (Low to High) Severity X Probability = Rating			Recommendations for Risk Reduction
	Yes	No	Severity (1-3)	Probability (1-3)	Rating (1-9)	
<b>Location: Bedrooms</b>						
Ceiling: non-accessible; solid gypsum board						
Flooring: wall to wall; seamless; carpet hardwood, or vinyl flooring in good condition						
All window glass is tempered safety glass						
Windows are fixed or units are equipped with sash control devices to limit opening						
Mirrors are unbreakable polycarbonate or steel						
Hinges are non-rising pin type (full length piano hinge type)						
Door closures, if necessary, are mounted on hall side						
Door handles are loop resistant, push/pull type latches						
Window covering: Tracking is flush mounted tight to the ceiling or soffit; curtains are secured to track by break-away Velcro tabs, no cords or chains; no mini blinds; no lead weight inserts in curtains						
Furniture: easily cleaned; heavy; meets fire code; no loopable points; not prone to splinter						
Mattresses are seamless with no stitching or cording to unravel						

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Artwork: securely mounted flush to the wall with tamperproof screws; polycarbonate type glazing 1/4 to 3/8 inches thick						
HVAC grills: have only small, non-loopable perforations secured by tamperproof screws						
Sprinkler heads: institutional heads						
All electrical outlets covers and switch plates are unbreakable vinyl plastic and are secured by tamperproof screws						
Beds are without springs or removable hardware or parts and are nonelectrical						
Bedroom wardrobes/closets are without closet poles, hooks, wire hangers or loopable fixtures or hardware.						
Emergency pull cords? If so, no longer than 12"						
No cubicle tracks						
No plastic trash liners						
Wall/floor mounted baseboard type heating elements secure						
All doors to bedrooms are observable from hallway						
Only one electrical outlet per bedroom						
No thermostat or hardware provides purchase for hanging						
All shelving fixed in place						
Walls, floors and ceilings are in good repair. Floors are non-slip. Carpeting does not fray or shed long fibers.						

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All bedroom entrance/exit doors are free from locks						
If there are locking closets in bedrooms, they are operable only by staff with keys and devoid of inside lockable or loopable throw bolt knobs so client cannot lock self in closet or loop over inside bolt or knob.						
Waste containers are flame resistant and don't support client's weight.						
Rooms are clear of electrical cords						
<b>Location: Bathrooms</b>						
Ceiling: non-accessible solid gypsum board						
All glass is tempered						
Mirrors are polycarbonate or steel						
Non-rising pin type hinges						
Door handles are loop resistant, push/pull type latches						
No plastic trash liners						
Light fixtures are not easily accessible to clients, tamper-resistant, lenses secured with tamperproof screws, shatterproof lens						
Sprinkler heads are institutional heads						
HVAC grills: have only small, non-loopable perforations secured by tamperproof screws						
All electrical outlets covers and switch plates are unbreakable vinyl plastic and are secured by tamperproof screws						

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No baseboards on the floor						
Breakaway hooks						
Grab bars are non-loopable and only used when medically necessary						
Shower curtains are made of breathable material and are attached by breakaway type connectors only						
Institutional shower heads						
GFI outlets; only one in bathroom						
Toilets are wall or floor mounted with no exposed pipes.						
Toilet tank lids are secured to toilet tank and are not easily removed.						
Locks, if needed on the outside of bathroom doors for security reasons or to control access, must be operable only by staff with keys. In all cases, bathroom doors open freely when exiting.						
Waste containers are flame resistant; don't support client's weight						
No fixtures in the bathroom provide an opportunity for hanging: Shower head Shower body Sink faucet Grab bar Cabinet handles Paper towel dispenser Toilet paper dispenser Window hardware Soap dispenser Door knob Tile mounted soap dish Tooth brush holder with holes						

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<b>Location: Client Activity Areas</b>						
Under visual control						
Ceiling: prefer solid gypsum board ceiling						
Hinges are non-rising pin type						
Door closures mounted on outside of doors						
Window covering: Tracking is flush mounted tight to the ceiling or soffit; curtains are secured to track by break-away Velcro tabs, no cords or chains; no mini blinds; no lead weight inserts in curtains						
Furniture: easily cleaned, heavy, meets fire code, no loopable points; not prone to splinter						
Artwork: securely mounted flush to the wall with tamperproof screws; polycarbonate type glazing 1/4 to 3/8 inch thick						
No plastic trash liners						
Waste containers are flame resistant and don't support client's weight.						
Light fixtures: not easily accessible to clients, tamper-resistant, lenses secured with tamperproof screws, shatterproof lens						
Sprinkler heads: institutional heads						
HVAC grills: have only small, non-loopable perforations secured by tamperproof screws						
TV: secured so it cannot be moved, all wires cropped to shortest possible						

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length and secured; mounted so as not to be loopable						
Appliances: all cooking appliances should be key operated with lock-out switches and only used under direct staff supervision						
GFCI outlets installed if near water source						
<b>Location: Hallways</b>						
Under visual control						
Ceiling: prefer solid gypsum board ceiling						
Hinges are non-rising pin type						
Artwork: securely mounted flush to the wall with tamperproof screws; polycarbonate type glazing 1/4 to 3/8 inch thick						
Light fixtures: not easily accessible to clients, tamper-resistant, lenses secured with tamperproof screws, shatterproof lens						
Sprinkler heads: institutional heads						
HVAC grills: have only small, non-loopable perforations secured by tamperproof screws						
All electrical outlets covers and switch plates are unbreakable vinyl plastic and are secured by tamperproof screws						
No wall or ceiling mounted hardware, brackets, or thermostats to provide purchase for hanging						

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Walls, floors and ceilings are in good repair. Floors are non-slip. Carpeting does not fray or shed long fibers.						
All exit doors, including stairwells, locked at all times. Delayed egress door hardware installed where code requires						
All Exit signs and emergency light fixtures are flush mounted or are ceiling hung						
Housekeeping cart kept locked at all times; policy in place.						
Fire evacuation route and floor plan posted on each floor at intervals that accommodate all occupants						
Fire exit corridors and egress pathways are free of stored items, chairs, or objects blocking clear, unobstructed egress.						
<b>Location: Seclusion Room</b>						
Ceiling: non-accessible solid gypsum board						
Flooring: continuous sheet vinyl with foam backing and heat welded seams						
Doors are commercial grade steel doors and frames open out of room with a polycarbonate view window not to exceed 100 sq. inches						
No exposed loopable hardware on inside on room except flush, loop resistant pull handle on door						
Light fixture are fully recessed, vandal resistant						
Sprinklers are institutional type						

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HVAC grills are fully recessed, small non-loopable perforations, tamperproof screws						
No electrical outlets, switches, thermostats						
No furniture						
Located to allow observation at all times by staff from all angles						