

Electronic Devices: Patient and Resident Use of

1. Introduction

1.1. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to outline guidelines for the use of personal electrical (non-medical) devices by patient's and residents at Providence Health Care (PHC) sites.

1.2. Scope

This policy is applicable to all PHC care sites.

2. Policy

Patient's or Resident's personal electrical equipment e.g. televisions, radios, CD players, personal heaters, razors must be inspected and approved by Facilities Maintenance & Operations prior to use in any healthcare or residential facility to ensure it meets CSA standards or equivalency (CSA Z32, latest edition).

3. Responsibilities

The Director, Facilities Maintenance & Operations, is responsible for the PHC sites and must be contacted to arrange for inspection of patient's or resident's personal electrical equipment.

4. Compliance

Failure to comply with this policy may result in personal electrical equipment being removed and stored until it is removed from the PHC site.