Washington State Department of Social and Health Services



Western State Hospital Level Systems

Patients at Western State Hospital earn rewards as they progress through the different levels of their treatment programs, which prepare them for living in the community.

Psychiatric Treatment and Recovery Center (South, Central and East civil wards)

- South and Central Wards house adults with a wide range of diagnoses and cognitive abilities
- East Ward houses primarily older adults and individuals with head trauma
- Five Levels (None-4)
- None: May not leave ward for any reason except with a special order for medical treatment
- <u>Level 1:</u> Ward-based activities; may attend Recovery Center with treatment team recommendation; fresh-air breaks in courtyard with staff escort only
- Level 2: Level 1 plus must have staff escort at all times (treatment groups inside the quadrangle; treatment groups outside the quadrangle only with additional safety restrictions)
- <u>Level 3:</u> Level 2 *plus* grounds privileges without staff escort within the quadrangle (three 30-minute breaks per day)
- <u>Level 4:</u> Level 3 *plus* three 60-minute breaks without staff within the quadrangle; may leave the quadrangle on grounds privileges by showing their badge *only* to attend job or participate in physician-approved authorized leave

Center for Forensic Services (forensic wards) – Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity (NGRI) Patients

- Seven Levels (1-7)
- <u>Level 1:</u> Daily yard time per ward schedule; invited to attend on-ward activities; does not receive money
- Level 2: Level 1 plus non-contact visits with adults; may order essential clothing and hygiene items with treatment team approval; no access to vending machines; invited to attend treatment; may request to withdraw up to \$5/week
- <u>Level 3:</u> Level 2 *plus* contact visits with adults who are family/primary support; visitor access to vending machines; may request to withdraw up to \$10/week

- <u>Level 4:</u> Level 3 *plus* contact visits with family/significant others, including minors (with treatment team approval); access to weight equipment and off-ward groups (AA meetings, etc.) with physician's orders; can order personal items from patient store; may request to withdraw up to \$15/week
- Level 5: Level 4 *plus* access to laptop/personal video game player; outdoor patio for visits; visits to/purchases from on-site coffee shop; contact visits with friends (with approval); key to room
- <u>Level 6:</u> Level 5 *plus* access to proximity card for visits (with approval); special meal privileges (with food handler permit); ability to monitor own purchasing habits; opportunity to live on less-restrictive ward (E1) (with approval); may request to withdraw up to \$25/week
- Level 7: Level 6 *plus* access to special activities (with approval); resides on E1
- Community Program/Conditional Release
 - Housed on Ward S4
 - o Level 7 *plus* have job on campus; participate in discharge planning

Center for Forensic Services (forensic wards) – Competence Restoration Patients

- Four Levels (1-4)
 - o Similar to criteria/privileges Levels 1-4 in NGRI wards