

LOS ANGELES GENERAL MEDICAL CENTER POLICY

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PURPOSE

To prevent the flow of illegal substances into or from the Los Angeles General Medical Center facilities.

POLICY

The Los Angeles General Medical Center shall adhere to all federal, State, and local laws, which prohibit the possession, use, sale, or trafficking of narcotics, non-prescription drugs, and other restricted, prohibited, or controlled substances. Possession of verifiable medical marijuana is exempt from this policy.

DEFINITION

Restricted supplies shall include, but not be limited to: syringes, needles, surgical instruments, or other such items that can be used to inject, inhale, or ingest any prohibited or controlled substance. A medical marijuana smoking instrument is exempt if in the possession of a person in possession of medical marijuana, which has been verified.

RESPONSIBILITY

Administrators
Department Managers
All Employees
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

PROCEDURE DOCUMENTATION

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Policy and Procedures Manual and Los Angeles General Station Orders

REFERENCES

California Health and Safety Code, 11014.5, 11364, and 11375

REVISION DATES

September 1, 1994; November 13, 1998; April 9, 2002; January 27, 2004; September 5, 2008; May 8, 2012; January 13, 2015; February 13, 2018, November 21, 2022