

*VALLEYCARE*  
**OLIVE VIEW-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER/HEALTH CENTERS**  
**DEPARTMENT: FACILITIES**  
**POLICY & PROCEDURE**

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**SUBJECT/TITLE: PERSONAL BIO-MEDICAL OR ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT**

**PURPOSE:** Patients, staff, and physicians shall not use electrical or appliances that have not been approved and tested.

**POLICY:** All personal electrical appliances shall be strongly discouraged, but if the patient insists, the appliance must be checked by the Bio-Medical Shop to insure that it is safe before it can be used by the patient.

The Bio-Medical Shop shall tag the equipment with the date to indicate it has been checked and passes inspection. These inspections are to be done during regular hours only. Equipment cannot be used until it is checked.

**PHYSICIANS AND STAFF:**

Prior to use in the hospital, any personally owned electrical equipment must be approved by the appropriate hospital personnel and must have a U.L. or equivalent label.

The Bio-Medical Shop has the responsibility of determining safety requirements.

Safety approval must be in writing.

The Safety Committee may designate exceptions.

**PROCEDURE:**

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**DEFINITIONS:**

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