WHAT ARE BEHAVIOURS OF CONCERN

VERBAL AGGRESSION

Makes loud noises, shouts angrily, makes mild insults, swearing, foul language, threats of violence, threats of suicide



PHYSICAL AGGRESSION

Against objects, self or others. E.g. Slams doors, throws objects, scratches/ hits self, makes threatening gestures, hits, kicks others



SEXUAL BEHAVIOUR

Sexual talk, touching others (non-genital or genital), exhibitionism, public masturbation, coercion



WANDERING

Going into non-patient care areas, other patient rooms, getting lost, is a flight risk, on Centrak



If you see

BEHAVIOURS OF CONCERN

Any behaviour that requires action/response and/or affects a person's (staff or patient) physical, mental, emotional well-being. For example:

- behaviour that makes you or others feel uncomfortable, stressed, worried or fearful.
- behaviour that leads you to change your usual way of working.

PERSEVERATION



Prolonged / repetitive behaviour resulting in harm or disruption; includes being "stuck" on an idea or phrase

SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Awkward, nuisance, noncompliant, refuses care, refuses meds; petty crime, excessive ETOH or substance use

LACK OF INITIATION



May not wash, eat or drink, shower, groom, or talk without prompting from others.

SPEAK UP!



Record on Safety Huddle form; report in huddle, case conference; report to CNL, Manager, Nurse Care Coordinator

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