

**WHITING FORENSIC HOSPITAL**  
**Nursing Policy and Procedure**

**SECTION D: PSYCHOLOGICAL ADAPTATION**  
**CHAPTER 13: BASIC NEEDS**

**POLICY & PROCEDURE 13.7 HAIR CARE    Rev. 3/25/19**

**PURPOSE:** To provide a standard of hair care that is culturally sensitive and consistent for all patients throughout the hospital.

**POLICY:** All patients will be afforded the opportunity to groom their hair with culturally sensitive supplies and hair care options while at Whiting Forensic Hospital.

The following hair care services are available to all patients: Cutting or dressing; scalp treatments; dyeing or coloring.

NOTE: Only licensed hairdressers are permitted to cut, color, or relax patient's hair. A licensed hair dresser is located in the salon in the Page Hall Treatment Mall.

The weekly salon schedule for each building is as follows:

**Dutcher:**

Wednesdays: D1S, D2N, D3S, D3N

Place: Hair Salon at Page Hall

Time: 9am to 11:30am

Thursdays: D1N

Place: Hair salon at Page hall

Times: 1pm-3pm

**Whiting Max and D2S:**

Every Thursday a licensed hair dresser provides services to Whiting max and D2S, rotating through each unit weekly.

Note: If a patient needs a hair dye or coloring, staff or police escort to Page Hall hair salon is required.

**Hair Products and Supplies**

1. Head caps are supplied by the hospital and are allowed to be worn in both Whiting max and Dutcher.
2. Hair food product or hair gel product is to be offered to patients upon request.

3. Vented or bristle brushes are to be offered to patients depending on their preference.
4. Hair supplies can be added to the weekly unit supply order. Hair caps and hair gel can be listed on the order form under miscellaneous.