TITLE: Clothing for Hospitalized Psychiatric Patients: A Review of Clinical Effectiveness and Guidelines

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RESEARCH QUESTION

What is the clinical evidence for requiring hospitalized adult psychiatric patients to change into hospital gowns versus remaining in street admission clothing?

KEY MESSAGE

No relevant evidence regarding the comparative effectiveness of wearing street clothes and hospital gowns in hospitalized psychiatric patients was identified.

METHODS

A limited literature search was conducted on key health technology assessment resources, including PubMed, Ovid MEDLINE, Ovid PsycINFO, EBSCO CINAHL, The Cochrane Library (Issue 11, 2010), University of York Centre for Reviews and Dissemination (CRD) databases, ECRI (Health Devices Gold), EuroScan, international health technology agencies, and a focused Internet search. A broad search was conducted to capture English language articles published between January 1, 2005 and December 8, 2010. A focused search with the main concept in the title or as a major subject heading was conducted to capture English language articles published prior to January 1, 2005. No filters were applied to limit the retrieval by study type.

RESULTS

No relevant health technology assessment reports, systematic reviews, meta-analyses randomized controlled trials, non-randomized studies, or evidence-based guidelines were identified regarding the clinical evidence for requiring hospitalized adult psychiatric patients to change into hospital gowns versus remaining in street admission clothing. Articles of potential interest are included in the appendix.
OVERALL SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

No relevant literature was identified; therefore, no summary can be presented regarding the clinical evidence for requiring hospitalized adult psychiatric patients to change into hospital gowns versus remaining in street admission clothing.

REFERENCES SUMMARIZED

Health technology assessments
No literature identified.

Systematic reviews and meta-analyses
No literature identified.

Randomized controlled trials
No literature identified.

Non-randomized studies
No literature identified.

Guidelines and recommendations
No literature identified.

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APPENDIX – FURTHER INFORMATION:

Qualitative studies in hospital settings


Other studies in hospital settings
