

OREGON STATE HOSPITAL

PORTLAND – SALEM

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

POINT PERSON: RUPERT GOETZ, CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER

DATE: 2/21/12

OSH POLICY NUMBER & TITLE: 6.023, EARLY INTERVENTION TECHNIQUES, INCLUDING THE USE OF MOVEMENT RESTRICTION

PURPOSE OF THIS POLICY:

It describes a set of Early Intervention, or Pre-escalation, techniques that staff may use to help patients calm down and regain self control.

SUBSTANTIAL CONTENT CHANGES (EXCLUDING “HOUSEKEEPING” CHANGES):

Staff may request a patient to voluntarily take a movement restriction to an unlocked limited-space area, only after less restrictive approaches have been attempted. Movement restriction may end at the patient’s discretion. It is hoped that by intervening early, and using the least restrictive interventions with patients, that more serious interventions such as the use of seclusion or restraint may be avoided.

REFERENCE CHANGES (ORS, OAR, TJC, CMS, OTHER):

N/A

LOCATION OF POLICY:

Section 6, Patient Care