# the children's hospital at Westmead

# TOY DONATION GUIDELINES FOR THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL AT WESTMEAD

Thank you for your interest in donating toys for our patients. We are very grateful to be supported by the community. We thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity.

To make it easier to decide which toys are appropriate for sick children in hospital, here are some guidelines and a shopping list to consider.

We have approximately 330 children staying with us. We would be very grateful in particular for **gifts** suitable for very young babies and toddlers, as well as children 11-18 years of age. Movie vouchers, Apple Store cards, Eftpos gift cards are very useful.

Please note that donated toys must meet the following guidelines:

- All toys must meet Australian Safety Standards
- For health and safety reasons, toys must be brand new, unopened and still in manufacturers' packaging or with the tags attached
- There's no need to wrap the toy as we need to see it to make sure it is appropriate for each child
- We don't accept toy guns, swords or war games
- Toys can't have small or easily detachable parts that can be swallowed, or easily removable button batteries
- Toys can't have moving parts that can pinch fingers or hair
- Toys can't have dangers such as breakable glass, protrusions, sharp edges, or long cords
- We don't accept electrical, spark-producing toys because of fire regulations
- Glue or paint in craft kits must be non-toxic and non-flammable
- All DVDs need to be G or PG Rated

So, here are all the things we would love. Below are the items we most use and find are very popular with our patients. These are warmly welcomed because they suit a broad range of children.

#### For general hospital use and all age children









- Nintendo Switch Lite and popular new games G/PG rated
- Portable DVD players
- Apple iPad Mini 2 (64GB)
- DVDs new movies (G/PG rated only please)
- Bluetooth enabled headphones (JBL Tune 750BTNC)
- Portable Bluetooth speakers (JBL JR POP Kids Bluetooth Speaker)
- Fisher Price Medical Kit with blood pressure monitor (amazon.com.au)
- Movie vouchers, Apple Store cards, Eftpos gift cards



# **TOY DONATION GUIDELINES (Cont)**

### Art and craft supplies and activities are in demand at present due to limited visitors and entertainment

Activity books, colouring books

Small packs of pencils, crayons and textas, glitter glue sticks

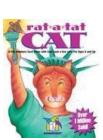
Small and medium blank canvases, painting sets

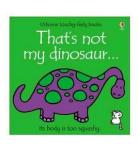
Kinetic sand, play doh

Jigsaw puzzles for all ages, roll up puzzle mats

Board games, card games eg Slamwich and Rat-a-tat Cat,

Soft books for babies and toddlers, board books and books from the range "That's not my ....









Lego sets eg Lego Friends, Lego Junior, Lego Marvel & DC Superheroes, and Duplo Sticker books

**Stickers** eg Disney Princess, Frozen, My Little Pony, Peppa Pig, Paw Patrol, Minions, Trolls Superheroes, pirates, unicorns, fairies, dinosaurs, mermaids, butterflies, flowers, cars etc.

Activity craft sets, e.g. beading sets, knitting sets, velvet art poster set and jewellery craft kits Typo notebooks, journals, pens, pencil cases and light boxes

Soft toys eg teddy bears, dogs, cats, monkeys, elephants, dinosaurs, unicorns - 25cm in height **Musical books, musical toys, baby rattles**, **Fisher-Price brand toys**Hot wheels cars

Hatchimals, Scruff-a-Luvs toy pet, Little Live Pets, Chattermate talking animals









- Toys manufactured as part of, Peppa Pig, Frozen, Fairies, Dinosaurs, Marvel & DC Superheroes, Thomas the Tank Engine, Sesame Street, Hot Wheels, Minecraft, Minions, Star Wars, PJ Mask, Paw Patrol, Pillow Pets, FlipaZoo, Signature Cuddle Puppies (Target), anything unicorn.
- Tea Party sets (good quality plastic or tin). Fairy wings, tiaras & wands.
- Make up and nail polish sets, cosmetic bags
- Johanna Basford colouring in books with Staedtler Noris colour 185 coloured pencils or Staedtler triplus colour
   323 coloured pens



#### **TOY DELIVERIES**

Whilst staying in hospital is quite different for our patients at present, with only one visitor permitted and very little entertainment possible, we want to make Christmas as fun as we can for those patients in our care.

This year, during the pandemic, toy deliveries to The Children's Hospital at Westmead need to be managed in a different way.

At present, no visitors, donors, or members of the public may enter the hospital to drop off gifts

There are two delivery/drop off options:

- Small quantities of toys may be dropped off at the front of the Hospital and a staff member must greet you at the front to accept the donation. Please arrange this in advance
- Larger toy donations should be delivered to The Children's Hospital at Westmead via the receiving
  dock in consultation with your contact from the Sydney Children's Hospitals Foundation or Public
  Relations at The Children's Hospital at Westmead and addressed as below.

**Please note** that deliveries need to be pre-arranged so a staff member can meet you at the receiving dock, and we MUST advise the receiving dock of the planned delivery in order to receive it. This to ensure sufficient staff are available to assist if required, and trolleys are available.

Please address deliveries to: The Children's Hospital at Westmead Receiving Dock 5 Redbank Rd NORTHMEAD NSW 2145

If you are preparing gift bags, please follow these guidelines and read the How to Wear a Mask document.

# Gift bag preparation - Covid Safe guidelines.

- Staff should prepare gift bags in a Covid safe environment that has been thoroughly cleaned in advance
- All staff should be well and free of ANY cold or flu symptoms, sore throat etc.
- All surfaces should be wiped down with alcohol wipes, wiping in an 'S' motion, changing cloths regularly for each new surface.
- Staff should wear masks while packaging gift bags
- Staff must use antibacterial hand wash and wear gloves
- If lunch breaks or bathroom breaks are required by staff during the packaging, gloves should be removed, hands washed before and after lunch or bathroom breaks and new gloves put on

