

## Hospitalized Children, Toys and You!

Child Life Services at Cedars-Sinai is grateful to the many community members, service groups and businesses who generously donate supplies to our pediatric patients. Donations keep our activity rooms stocked and make holidays, birthdays and other celebrations possible. **Nondenominational and laminated** holiday decorations add cheer to activity rooms and patient care areas.

**Please follow our recommended safety guidelines, as they protect our young patients.**

### **Toy Safety Guidelines**

- All donated toys must be new and in the original packaging.
- No stuffed animals, please.
- Toys should not be made of glass or brittle plastic.
- Toys should not have parts that can pinch fingers or toes or catch hair.
- Fire regulations forbid electrical, spark-producing or friction-producing toys.
- Toys that are painted or contain glue or paint must be nontoxic.
- "Humorous" medical toys and games may cause fears and misconceptions and may be inappropriate.
- **Please note we are unable to accept any food items, latex balloons or fresh plants or flowers.**

All toys donated are to be left unwrapped, but we encourage you to donate gift bags, tissue paper and gift tags. This allows us to best match the gifts with the patients.

**If you are considering a larger donation or to schedule delivery of your donation, please call or email:**

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**Thank you in advance for brightening the lives of children throughout the year.**

## **Therapeutic and Expressive Play Materials to Assist with Coping and Pain Management**

### **Ooze Tubes—large and small**

[incrediblescience.com/ooze-tube-jr.html](http://incrediblescience.com/ooze-tube-jr.html)

### **Find It Sticks—large and small**

[finditgames.com](http://finditgames.com)

### **Scratch and Sketch Books—all themes**

[peterpauper.com/sub\\_cat.php?cPath=24\\_63](http://peterpauper.com/sub_cat.php?cPath=24_63)

### **Small/Large Prismatic Wands—all themes**

[ziponline.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=35&Itemid=2](http://ziponline.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=35&Itemid=2)

### **“The Moon Balloon: A Journey of Hope and Discovery”**

[themoonballoonproject.org/book.html](http://themoonballoonproject.org/book.html)

### **“Wreck This Journal Everywhere”**

[amazon.com/Wreck-This-Journal-Everywhere-Smith/dp/0399171916/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1531757471&sr=8-1&keywords=wreck+this+journal+everywhere](http://amazon.com/Wreck-This-Journal-Everywhere-Smith/dp/0399171916/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1531757471&sr=8-1&keywords=wreck+this+journal+everywhere)

### **Some Suggestions for Older Kids**

- Spot It/Spot It Splash, Waterproof/Regular Uno, Connect Four, Jenga, Rory’s Story Cubes, Sorry Revenge, 5 Second Rule Just Spit It Out, Roll for It, I Spy Snap!, Yahtzee Hands Down

### **Our Littlest Patients Enjoy**

- Mobiles ([morethanplay.com/product/nurture-smart-mobile](http://morethanplay.com/product/nurture-smart-mobile)), Baby Einstein Sea Dream Soother, busy boxes, nonbreakable crib mirrors, rattles, musical toys, teething rings, soft vinyl picture books, push/pull/talking toys, Playskool trucks, Duplo blocks

### **More Fun Stuff**

- Model magic, stickers, beads/jewelry making, arts & crafts kits (we recommend [orientaltrading.com](http://orientaltrading.com) for arts and crafts materials), Sticker by Numbers (Melissa & Doug), coloring books, Legos sets (for boys and girls of all ages)

### **Gift Cards**

- Amazon, Target, American Express, MasterCard, Visa, movie theatres, Uber Eats, Starbucks, Coffee Bean and Jamba Juice