

GUIDANCE ON COMMONLY USED MENTAL HEALTH SECTIONS

SECTION	DURATION	IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS	APPEAL	DISCHARGE PROCESS	FOLLOWED BY	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
SECTION 5(2) IN PATIENT EMERGENCY	72 HOURS	RC/SHO IN PSYCHIATRY	NO	EXPIRES/S23 BY RC/ ASSESSED & NOT DETAINABLE	EXPIRES BECOMES INFORMAL OR CONVERTED TO A SECTION 2 OR 3	72 HOURS BEGINS WHEN RECEIVED BY MANAGERS (FORM 14)
SECTION 2 ASSESSMENT	28 DAYS	2 MEDICAL RECOMMENDATIONS 1 ASW OR NEAREST RELATIVE APPLICATION	WITHIN FIRST 14 DAYS TO MHRT OR ANY TIME TO MANAGERS	EXPIRES OR RC S23 OR MHRT/MANAGERS	EXPIRES BECOMES INFORMAL OR SEC 3	ASSESSMENT ONLY MUST BE CONVERTED TO S3 IF DIAGNOSIS MADE
SECTION 3 TREATMENT	6 MONTHS	2 MEDICAL RECOMMENDATIONS 1 ASW OR NEAREST RELATIVE APPLICATION	ONCE IN 1 ST 6-MTH THEN EVERY PERIOD OF DETENTION OR ANY TIME TO MANAGERS	EXPIRES OR RC S23 OR MHRT/MANAGERS	RENEWABLE AFTER 6 MTH THEN YEARLY	THE THREE MONTH RULE FOR TREATMENT APPLIES SUBJECT TO S117 ON DISCHARGE
SECTION 4 EMERGENCY ADMISSION	72 HOURS	1 MEDICAL RECOMMENDATION 1 ASW APPLICATION	NO	EXPIRES/S23 OR ASSESSED & NOT DETAINABLE	CONVERT TO 2 OR APPLICATION FOR 3	BEGINS WHEN PATIENT ARRIVES IN HOSPITAL 2 MED REC CONVERTS S4 TO S2 (WITHIN 72 HOURS)
SECTION 17A SUPERVISED COMMUNITY TREATMENT	6 MONTHS	RESPONSIBLE CLINICIAN WITH AGREEMENT OF AMHP	ONCE IN 1 ST 6-MTH THEN EVERY PERIOD OF DETENTION OR ANY TIME TO MANAGERS	EXPIRES OR RC S23 OR REVOCATION OR MHRT/MANAGERS	RENEWABLE AFTER 6 MTH THEN YEARLY	PART 4A FOR TREATMENT APPLIES. SUBJECT TO S117. MAY BE RECALLED FOR UPTO 72 HOURS
SECTION 136 POLICE – PLACE OF SAFETY	72 HOURS	POLICE	NO	RC/12(2) AFTER FULL ASSESSMENT ASW MUST ASSESS SHO CANNOT DISCHARGE	INFORMAL ADMISSION S2 / S3 OR DISCHARGE	PLACE OF SAFETY MAY ALSO BE POLICE STATION IF INTOXICATED/VIOLENT. A&E EN ROUTE IF REQ'S MEDICAL ATTENTION POLICE TO STAY UNTIL MANAGERS ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY
SECTION 17 LEAVE	AS SPECIFIED	RC/COVERING RC NOT SPR	NO	NOT APPLICABLE	FURTHER SEC 17	TIMES, ESCORTS AND DESTINATION TO BE SPECIFIED
SECTION 23 DISCHARGE	NOT APPLICABLE	NOT APPLICABLE	NOT APPLICABLE	RC OR MHRT/MANAGERS	117 FOR SEC 3	S23 TO BE SIGNED BY RC