

Notice to patient subject to a community treatment order directing change to inpatient status under section 29(3)(a) or re-assessment under section 29(3)(b)

To:

Patient's date of birth:

of:

You are now directed: (a) to be treated as an inpatient for a period of up to 14 days from the admission date (see explanatory note)

Or

(b) to be re-assessed in accordance with sections 13 and 14 (see explanatory note)

Name & address of hospital where the patient is directed to attend for assessment and treatment

This direction takes effect from:

Each of the following will be notified of this direction:

- Welfare Guardian
- Principal Caregiver
- The Primary Health Care Provider who usually attends the patient
- District Inspector
- Official Visitor

This direction was made by:

of:

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- A copy of this notice has been sent to the Director of Area Mental Health Services.

Explanatory Note

Section 29(3)(a)

Section 29(3)(a) permits a responsible clinician (RC) to direct a patient subject to a community treatment order to be treated as an inpatient for up to 14 days from the admission date without the need to begin the assessment process and nullify the community treatment order. A direction under section 29(3)(a) of the Act may only be given twice in a 6-month period.

The RC must examine the patient, sign the notice to patient indicating a section 29(3)(a) for the patient to be admitted to hospital for inpatient treatment for up to 14 days from the admission date.

The RC must make arrangements for admission to hospital.

Admitting team must add date of admission when the patient is admitted to hospital.

Section 29(3)(b)

When a patient is reassessed under section 29(3)(b) of the Act, the community treatment order ceases to have effect and before the expiry of 14 days the RC will be required to apply for a new compulsory treatment order or release the patient from compulsory treatment.

The RC must examine the patient, sign the notice to patient indicating a section 29(3)(b) for the patient to be reassessed in accordance with section 13 and 14 and must complete a section 13 form.

The RC must make arrangements for admission to hospital.

Admitting team must add date of admission when the patient is admitted to hospital.

Urgent Situations

If circumstances are urgent and the patient's RC cannot be contacted, the consultant psychiatrist on call can instruct a DAO over the phone to direct the patient (subject to a community treatment order) to be an inpatient. The RC or consultant psychiatrist on call must sign the notice directing the patient to be an inpatient as soon as practicable including a section 13 form if the direction is made under the provisions of a section 29(3)(b)