

Asist fact sheet

Mental Health, Section 3 - Rights and Responsibilities



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Section 3 - Mental Health Act



The Mental Health Act 2007 says the Mental Health Team can keep you in hospital for your treatment and care.



The Mental Health Team must always put your safety and wellbeing first.

The Mental Health Team must also look after the safety and wellbeing of others.



The Mental Health Team must always listen to your views.

The Mental Health Team must involve you in the planning and reviewing of your treatment and care.

Rights and Responsibilities



Your section lasts until the Mental Health Team feel you are well enough to be discharged.

Sometimes people need to stay in hospital on section 3 for a long time.

Section 3 can:

- last up to 6 months
- be renewed for another 6 months then longer if needed

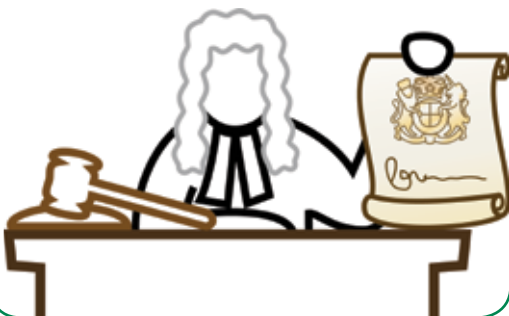


Your Doctor must review your section 3 regularly to check what this means for you.

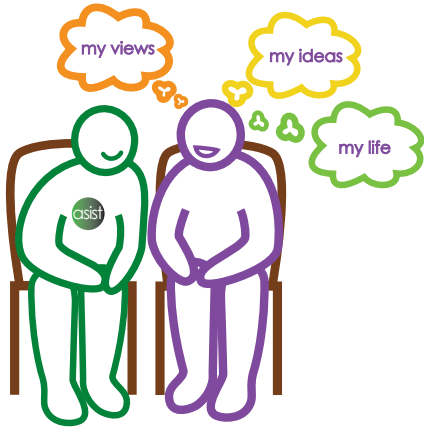
You always have the right to say what you think about your care.

Your Mental Health Team must listen to your views.

You have the right to appeal against decisions made about your care.



Your Advocate



Your advocate can support you, listen to you, ask questions for you.



Your advocate can find more information for you.

Just ask...



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