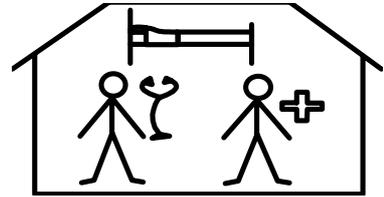


LEARNING DISABILITY SERVICES PATIENT INFORMATION LEAFLET

Mental Health Act 1983 SECTION 2 Admission to hospital for assessment



Patient's name _____

You have been admitted to Bryn-y-Neuadd Hospital

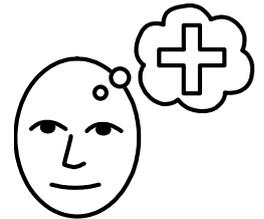
Your doctor is _____



Date of admission _____

Why am I in hospital?

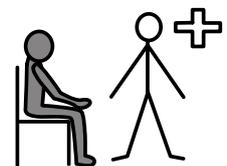
You have been admitted to hospital because a doctor thinks that you are unwell.



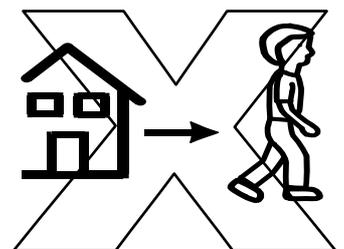
You can be kept at the hospital because section 2 of the Mental health Act 1983.



During your stay in hospital the doctor will try and find out what is wrong and how to help you.



You must not leave during this time unless a doctor tells you that you can.



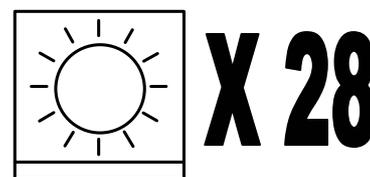
If you try to go, the staff can stop you, and if you leave, you can be brought back.



How long will I be here?

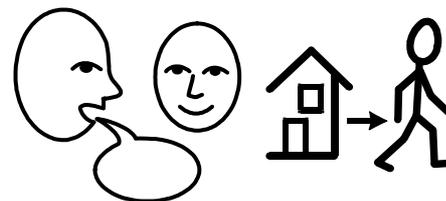


You can be kept here for up to 28 days. You will only be kept in longer if the doctor thinks that you must stay. The doctor must decide this before the 28 days have finished.



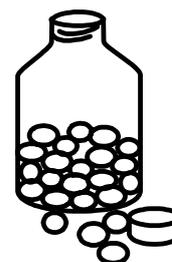
If you have to stay longer than 28 days you will need to be kept under Section 3 of the Mental Health Act and you will be given more information.

The doctor will tell you when he or she thinks that you are well enough to leave the hospital.



What treatment may I be given?

Your doctor will talk to you about any treatment that you may need for your mental illness. In most cases you will have to take the doctors advice.



Can I appeal?

You can ask the hospital managers to let you leave the hospital.



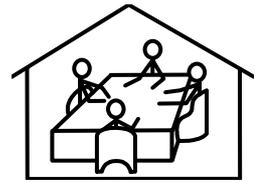
If you want to do this, contact them at North West West Wales NHS Trust, Ysbyty Gwynedd, Bangor.

Your nearest relative can also contact the hospital managers and ask them to let you leave.

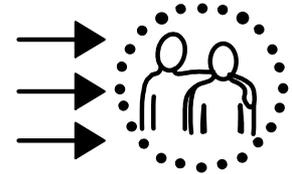


The managers can take 3 days to look at your request and they will ask for a report from your doctor.

You can also ask the Mental Health Tribunal to help get you discharged. They are a group of people who are not part of the hospital that make sure that your rights are protected.



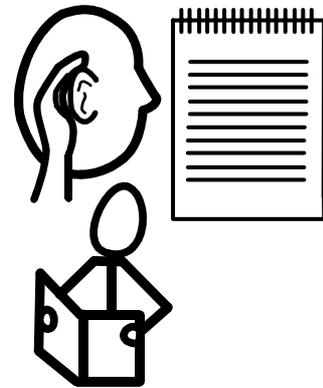
If you want to get in touch with the Mental Health Tribunal then you must write to them within the first two weeks that you are in hospital under section 2.



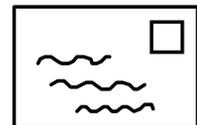
A hearing will then be arranged within 7 days.

What happens at the Mental Health Review Tribunal?

People from the Tribunal will come and see you and listen to you or someone who is representing you. They will speak to your doctor and social worker and read reports about your time in hospital and decide if you are well enough to leave the hospital.



The Tribunal will send you a letter within 7 days of the hearing let you know what they think.



You might want to ask a solicitor to help you with the tribunal. You do not have to pay for this.



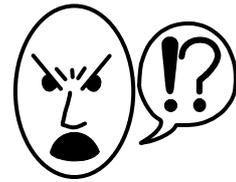
The address of the tribunal office is :

**Mental Health Review Tribunal
Fourth Floor
New Crown Buildings
Cathays park
Cardiff CF1 3NQ**



How do I complain?

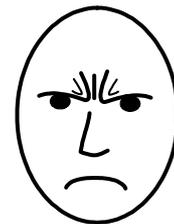
If you want to complain about the way that you are being treated in hospital, you should speak to the doctor, nurse, social worker or advocate. If you are not happy with their answer you may tell the hospital managers



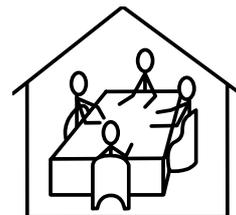
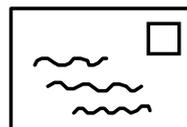
If you want to do this, contact them at North West West Wales NHS Trust, Ysbyty Gwynedd, Bangor.



If you are not happy with their reply you can ask for the Mental health commission to help. You can write to them at the following address:



Mental Health Act Commission
Maid Marian House
56 Hounds Gate
Nottingham NG1 6BG



0115 9437100



Or you can speak to one of them when they visit.

_____ can tell you the date of the next visit.



You can also write to them after you have left the hospital.