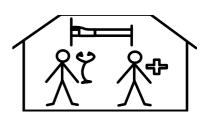


## LEARNING DISABILITY SERVICES PATIENT INFORMATION LEAFLET

#### Mental Health Act 1983 SECTION 3 Admission to hospital for treatment



Patient's name\_

You have been admitted to Bryn-y-Neuadd Hospital

Your doctor is\_\_\_\_\_

Date of admission\_\_\_\_\_

### Why am I in hospital?

It has been decided to admit you to this hospital so that you can be given the treatment and care that you need.

You can be kept at the hospital because of Section 3 of the Mental health Act 1983.

Section 3 of the Mental Health Act means that the Doctors who said that you should be brought here think that you have a mental disorder for which you need to be in hospital for medical treatment.

#### How long will I be here?

You can be kept here for up to six months so that you can be given the medical treatment you need.











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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.

#### What happens next?

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

If the doctor feels that you need to stay in the hospital for longer than six months, he or she will talk to you about this towards the end of the six months.

#### 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.

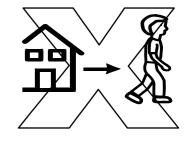
Your nearest relative can also contact the hospital managers and ask them to let you leave.

The managers can take 72 hours (3 days) to look at the request, so that they can get a report from your doctor.

Your doctor may say in his or her report that you should not leave the hospital and if he or she does, you will have to stay in hospital.











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You can also apply to the tribunal meeting to ask if you can leave. You can ask the tribunal any time within the first six months while you are kept in hospital.

If you are not allowed to leave the hospital when you first ask you can ask again. You can ask 2 times a year for I year and then once every year.

The tribunal members will come and meet with you and listen those who help you. The tribunal doctor will come and see you before the meeting.

The tribunal will speak to your doctor and social worker and read reports about your time in hospital before deciding if you are well enough to leave.

The tribunal will send you a letter within a week of the meeting.

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

#### What treatment may I be given?

Your doctor will talk to you about any treatment that you may need for your mental illness.

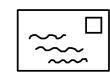
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You can be made to take medication for your mental illness for up to three months.

If this treatment carries on after three months and you do not want it to carry on or cannot give permission, another doctor will be asked to visit you.

This doctor will talk to you and to a nurse and to other staff at the hospital who know you.

The treatment will only carry on if this doctor agrees that you should have it.

Other medication may be recommended after this doctor has spoken to your doctor at the hospital.

If you are given any special treatment, this will be explained to you.

#### 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.









