

# CLINICAL PRACTICE FORM

MENTAL HEALTH ACT SECTION 14(2)

DETENTION OF A PERSON (ADULT) FOR THE  
PURPOSE OF CARRYING OUT AN EXAMINATION



Before completing this form please read the notes overleaf  
PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK CAPITALS AND FILE IN THE PERSON'S CLINICAL FILE

- 1) Full Name and Address of Person detained:
- 2) Date of Birth & Gender:  /  /  (dd/mm/yyyy) M  F
- 3) Approved Centre Name and Address:
- 4) Date & Time Person is detained from  /  /   :  (24 hr clock e.g. 2.21pm as 14:21)
- 5) Date & Time period of detention ended  /  /   :  (24 hr clock e.g. 2.21pm as 14:21)
- 6) Designation of staff member detaining Person at Approved Centre  
Consultant Psychiatrist   
Registered Medical Practitioner   
Registered Nurse
- 7) Name of staff member detaining Person
- 8) Was Risk Assessment used?  YES (if yes, please provide details below)  NO
- 9) Was the Person informed they are being detained under Section 14(2) of the Mental Health Act 2001?  YES  NO (if no, please provide details below)
- 10) Was an Admission Order completed following the period of detention?  YES  NO
- 11) In my opinion it has been necessary, in the best interests of the above named person, to take charge of this person and detain him/her for a period not exceeding 24 hours for the purpose of carrying out an examination under Section 14(2) of the Mental Health Act 2001, or if an admission order is made or refused in relation to the person during that period, until it is granted or refused.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:  /  /  (dd/mm/yyyy)

Time:  :  (24 hr clock e.g. 2.21pm as 14:21)

Care should be taken when completing this form. When completed, it is to be filed in the person's clinical file at the Approved Centre. This form may be inspected by the Inspector of Mental Health Services, requested by a Mental Health Tribunal or by the Mental Health Commission.

### SECTIONS OF THE MENTAL HEALTH ACT (2001)

#### Section 14 (1) & (2) of the Mental Health Act (2001) states:

14. — (1) Where a recommendation in relation to a person the subject of an application is received by the clinical director of an approved centre, a consultant psychiatrist on the staff of the approved centre shall, as soon as may be, carry out an examination of the person and shall thereupon either—

a) if he or she is satisfied that the person is suffering from a mental disorder, make an order to be known as an involuntary admission order and referred to in this Act as “an admission order” in a form specified by the Commission for the reception, detention and treatment of the person and a person to whom an admission order relates is referred to in this Act as “a patient”, or

b) if he or she is not so satisfied, refuse to make such order.

(2) A consultant psychiatrist, a medical practitioner or a registered nurse on the staff of the approved centre shall be entitled to take charge of the person concerned and detain him or her for a period not exceeding 24 hours (or such shorter period as may be prescribed after consultation with the Commission) for the purpose of carrying out an examination under *subsection (1)* or, if an admission order is made or refused in relation to the person during that period, until it is granted or refused.

#### Definition of a Child:

“child” means a person under the age of 18 years other than a person who is or has been married; (Section 2 Mental Health Act 2001)

#### Definition of an Adult:

“adult” means any person who is not included in the definition of a “child” in the Act.