



Your stay in hospital

Section 5(4) Mental Health Act 1983



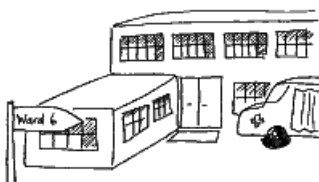
Your name

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Your hospital doctor is

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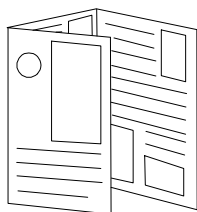
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Date you were placed under 5(4) of the
Mental Health Act

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You have been placed under section 5 (4)
of the Mental Health Act 1983. This leaflet
is to help you understand what this means

Why am I in hospital?

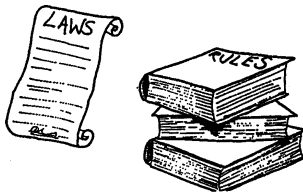


The Nurses think you are ill.



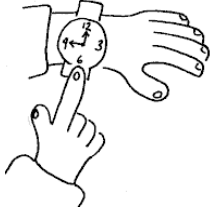
The nurses want you to be examined by a doctor.

You can be kept in hospital because Section 5(4) of the Mental Health Act 1983 says so.



The Mental Health Act 1983 is a law. A law is like a rule.

How long will I be in hospital?



You can be kept in hospital for up to 6 hours.



The doctor will say when you can leave hospital.

If you try to leave before the doctor says it is ok, you can be stopped.

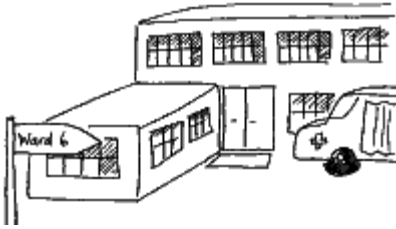


If you leave hospital before the doctor says it is ok, you will be brought back.

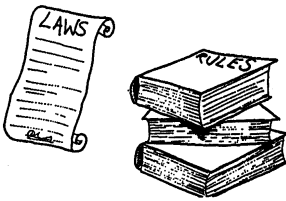
What happens next?



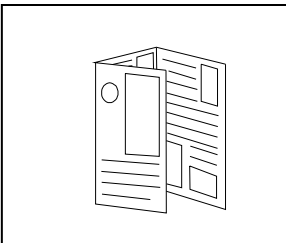
You will be examined by a doctor.



The doctor will decide if you still need to stay in hospital



Other parts of the law called the Mental Health Act 1983, will allow your doctor to keep you in hospital longer.



You will be given a leaflet about this law if you have to stay in hospital.



The doctor may say it is ok for you to leave hospital. The doctor or your social worker will ask you what help you need when you leave.



If a doctor does not examine you before the end of 6 hours you can leave or stay in hospital.



Talk to your nurse about what you want to do.