



Mental Health Act 2014 – Flowchart Examination of a referred person by a psychiatrist at place OTHER than an authorised hospital (e.g. community clinic, ED)

Person arrives at the place on a *Form 1A – Referral* and is received.
(Note: Person cannot be received if the referral has expired, and must be allowed to leave.)

Person can be detained at the place for up to **24 hours** from the time that the person was received.
(Note: If more than 24 hours have passed without the person being examined by a psychiatrist, or an order being made, then person cannot continue to be detained and must be allowed to leave.)

If the place of examination is in a **non-metropolitan** area and the examination cannot occur within 24 hours, detention can be continued for a further **48 hours** to enable an examination by a psychiatrist.
Form 3B
(Note: If more than 72 hours have passed without the person being examined by a psychiatrist, or an order being made, then person cannot continue to be detained and must be allowed to leave.)

A psychiatrist must examine the person and make one of the following orders:

An inpatient treatment order in a general hospital
Form 6B

A community treatment order
Form 5A

Order authorising the person's reception and detention at an authorised hospital to enable an examination by a psychiatrist at the authorised hospital
Form 3D

An order that the person cannot continue to be detained
Form 3E

If necessary to ensure person gets to the hospital, the person's detention at the place of examination can be continued for up to **24 hours** from the time the Form 6B was made
Form 3B
AND/OR
If there is no other safe means of taking the person to the hospital, a transport order can be made
Form 4A

If necessary to ensure person gets to the authorised hospital, the person's detention at the place of examination can be continued for up to **24 hours** from the time the Form 3D was made
Form 3B
AND/OR
If there is no other safe means of taking the person to the authorised hospital, a transport order can be made
Form 4A