Going to hospital for mental health treatment

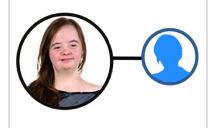
for adults with learning disabilities



your name



your next of kin (your closest relative)



your **responsible clinician** – this is the person who is in charge of you in hospital



name of this hospital and ward



date your **section** started





You are here because

• you are under **section** (Mental Health Act 1983)



we are helping you to stay safe



we are helping you to get better



You will stay here for **up to 6 months**This is called a **section 3**



You will not be able to leave unless we say you can



We can help you when you are feeling

sad



worried



frightened



confused



angry

We can help you by



• listening to you



• talking with you



helping you to take your medication



giving you information



asking others to help you



helping you to stay safe

You can



have visitors



make and receive phone calls



• send and receive emails and letters



• talk to us



• ask us for help



What happens next

You will stay here for up to 6 months



We will give you support



We will give you medication if you need it



After 6 months your team will meet with you



They will decide if you need to stay here for another 6 months



If you want to leave hospital



 you can appeal against your section – this means you can ask the hospital managers to let you leave the hospital



 we can help you ask the hospital managers to let you leave



 you can ask your next of kin to talk to the hospital managers – for example you can ask your family or a friend to help



 you can ask the tribunal if you can leave hospital – the tribunal is a group of people who will meet you to decide if you can leave hospital



we will talk to you about a meeting called a hearing



 you can ask your next of kin to come to the hearing



 you can ask a solicitor to help you – a solicitor is someone who knows about the law



this is a free service

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