

MENTAL HEALTH REVIEW TRIBUNAL

Practice and Policy Guideline #2

ALLOCATION OF CASES

Practice and Policy Guidelines provide general direction and assistance to the members and secretariat of the Review Tribunal. They may be departed from or supplemented by the Review Tribunal as circumstances require. They do not constitute legal opinions.

1. The convener of the Review Tribunal in consultation with the other two members may direct that hearings be allocated to specified members or deputy members.
2. Otherwise the secretariat is to allocate members and deputy members to hearings without reference to any of the three members of the Review Tribunal.
3. When allocating cases, the secretariat is to have regard to the following considerations relating to members and deputy members:
 - Their geographical location
 - Their availability
 - Maintaining a flow of cases
 - An equitable allocation of cases
 - The desirability of hearing cases soon after appointment;
 - Avoiding possible conflicts of interest
 - Achieving gender balance
 - Ethnic composition
 - Specialist expertise

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Convener