

## Certificate of final assessment

**To: the Director of Area Mental Health Services, at:** *Location*

**Name of patient:** *Full name*

**Patient's date of birth:**

**Address:**

**I have examined the patient named above who is undergoing a 14 day further assessment conducted by me which commenced on:**

*Date 14 day assessment commenced*

**I have carefully considered the patient's condition in relation to the statutory definition of mental disorder and my opinion is that:**

The patient is fit to be released from compulsory status and directions have been given for that release

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The patient is not fit to be released from compulsory status *and* an application has been made to the Court for the making of a compulsory treatment order under Part II of the Act.

*A copy of this certificate shall be sent to the following enclosing a statement of legal consequences of the above finding and the recipient's right to apply to the Court and be heard in respect of the application for a compulsory treatment order.*

- The patient
- Any welfare guardian of the patient
- The applicant who applied for assessment
- The patient's principal caregiver
- The primary health care provider who usually attended the patient
- The district inspector
- The official visitor

**This certificate is issued by:** *Name of responsible clinician who conducted the assessment examination*

*Business address and telephone number of responsible clinician*

*Signature of responsible clinician* / / *Date*

The following have been sent to the attention of the Director of Area Mental Health Services:

- Full particulars of the reasons for the opinion on the patient's condition and any relevant reports from other health professionals.
- A copy of any notice given to the patient requiring further period of assessment and treatment under section 11(1).

This statement is to advise you of the legal consequences of the finding set out in the Certificate of final assessment - Section 14

The finding is that the patient is not fit to be released from compulsory status. This means that the patient's responsible clinician will apply to the Court for the making of a compulsory treatment order.

The patient, and any other person who is sent a copy of this form, has the right to appear before the Court in respect of an application for a compulsory treatment order.

The district inspector or the official visitor must also talk to the patient and consider whether to appear before the Court in respect of an application for a compulsory treatment order.

If you wish to appear before the Court and be heard in respect of the application for a compulsory treatment order, the following people may be able to help you:

- a district inspector
- an official visitor
- your legal representative
- the patient's responsible clinician
- a patient advocate (if one is available)
- the registrar of the nearest District Court

Sections 17 - 27 of the Mental Health (Compulsory Assessment & Treatment) Act 1992 gives further details about the process of such a hearing.