**Application for assessment**

To: *Location*

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| The Director of Area  Mental Health Services, at: | Click or tap here to enter text. |
|  | *Full name* |
| Name of proposed patient: | Click or tap here to enter text. |
|  | *Date of birth* |
| Proposed patient's date of birth: | Click or tap to enter a date. |
|  | *Address* |
| Of: | Click or tap here to enter text. |
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| I believe the person named above to be mentally disordered and apply to the Director of Area Mental Health Services to have that person assessed. I base my belief on the following grounds: | |
|  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| *Note: Continue on a separate sheet if necessary* |
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|  | *Full name of applicant* |
| I am the applicant named: | Click or tap here to enter text. |
|  | *Address of applicant* |
| of: | Click or tap here to enter text. |
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| My relationship to or |  |
| association with the proposed patient is: | Click or tap here to enter text. |

I declare that I have attained the age of 18 years and have seen the proposed patient in person within the last 3 days.

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|  | Click or tap to enter a date. |
|  | *Signature of applicant Date of application* |

This application is accompanied by a certificate given by a mental health practitioner who has examined the proposed patient within the last 3 days.

***Mental Health (Compulsory Assessment and Treatment) Act 1992.***

**Section 2 The statutory definition of mental disorder is:**

"Mental disorder, in relation to any person, means an abnormal state of mind (whether of a continuous or an intermittent nature), characterised by delusions, or by disorders of mood or perception or volition or cognition, of such a degree that it –

(a) Poses a serious danger to the health or safety of that person or of others; or

(b) Seriously diminishes the capacity of that person to take care of himself or herself; and "mentally disordered", in relation to any such person, has a corresponding meaning.

**Section 4 General rules relating to liability to assessment or treatment**

The procedures prescribed by Parts I and II of this Act shall not be invoked in respect of any person by reason only of -

(a) That person's political, religious, or cultural   
 beliefs; or

(b) That person's sexual preferences; or

(c) That person's criminal or delinquent behaviour; or

(d) Substance abuse; or

(e) Intellectual handicap