

Fact sheet

Making and Confirming / Revoking Level 1 Orders

Amendments to the Mental Health Act 2009 in 2012 have caused changes to the name of inpatient orders and to the processes for making and reviewing all Level 1 orders.

Detention and Treatment Orders level 1, 2 or 3 are now known as Inpatient Treatment Orders level 1, 2 or 3.

Level 1 orders, both Community Treatment Orders (CTOs) and Inpatient Treatment Orders (ITOs), must now be made and confirmed/revoked in two separate stages using two separate forms.

Making an Order:

- > A level 1 order may be made by a medical practitioner or authorised health professional after the examination of a patient and must use the *Community Treatment Order Level 1* (MR90B) form or the *Inpatient Treatment Order Level 1* (MR90C) form.
- > The clinician making the order must set the expiry date, which will be at 2pm on a business day no later than:
 - o 28 days after the day on which it was made for a CTO level 1.
 - o 7 days after the day on which it was made for an ITO level 1.
- > Notification of the making of the level 1 order must be made to the Guardianship Board and to the Office of the Chief Psychiatrist within 1 business day.

Reviewing and Confirming/Revoking an Order:

- > Within 24 hours, or as soon as practicable after a level 1 order is initiated, a psychiatrist or authorised medical practitioner must examine the patient and either confirm or revoke the order.
- > The psychiatrist or authorised medical practitioner reviewing an order must use the Confirmation / Revocation of the Making of a Level 1 Treatment Order (MR90D) form.
- > Notification of the review and confirmation/revocation of the level 1 order must be made to the Guardianship Board and to the Office of the Chief Psychiatrist within 1 business day.

Correcting or Subsequently Revoking an Order:

- > The clinician making an order and the psychiatrist or authorised medical practitioner reviewing an order may correct errors or omissions in that order.
- > A psychiatrist or authorised medical practitioner may examine a patient and revoke a previously confirmed level 1 order at any time, using the *Revocation of a Treatment Order Order (MR900)* form.

For more information

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