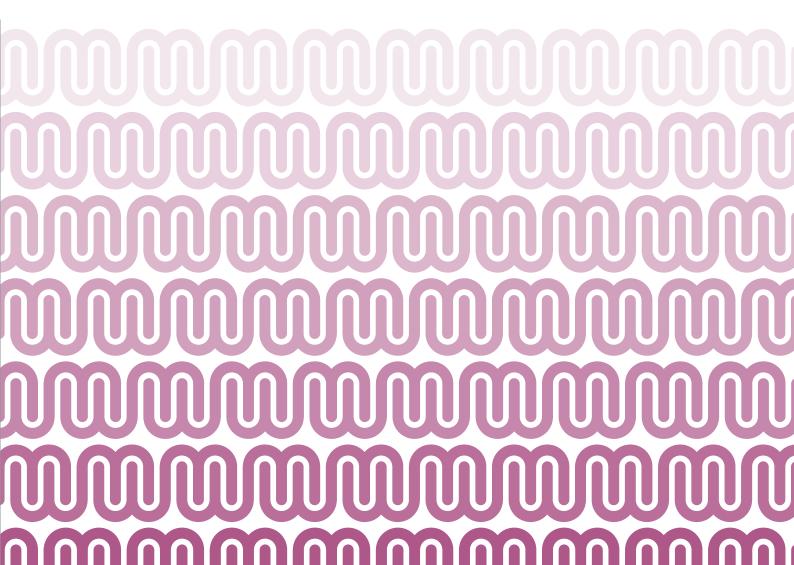


# Urgent medical treatment under the Mental Health Act (\$243, T4)

Advice notes

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## Our mission and purpose

#### Our Mission

To be a leading and independent voice in promoting a society where people with mental illness, learning disabilities, dementia and related conditions are treated fairly, have their rights respected, and have appropriate support to live the life of their choice.

#### Our Purpose

We protect and promote the human rights of people with mental illness, learning disabilities, dementia and related conditions.

#### Our Priorities

To achieve our mission and purpose over the next three years we have identified four strategic priorities.

- To challenge and to promote change
- Focus on the most vulnerable
- Increase our impact (in the work that we do)
- Improve our efficiency and effectiveness

#### Our Activity

- Influencing and empowering
- Visiting individuals
- Monitoring the law
- Investigations and casework
- Information and advice

### **Urgent Medical Treatment under the Mental Health Act** (s243, T4)

A reminder that the RMO must report urgent treatment under section 243 to the Commission within 7 days.

Form  $\underline{\mathsf{T4}}$  is available for this purpose.

Note that this form is a record that urgent treatment has been given, not an authorisation for the treatment.

Medical practitioners should clearly record the grounds for urgent treatment in the individual's case record when authorising it.



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