

# Second Opinion Request

**Instructions**

v7.1

The following form is to be used by the Doctor primarily responsible for this patient to request the Mental Welfare Commission to arrange a Section 48 second opinion under the Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000.

**Patient Details**

CHI Number

Surname

First Name (s)

DoB  /  /   
dd / mm / yyyy

Patient's home address

Postcode

Patient's telephone number

**Contacts (leave blank if not applicable):**

**Next of kin** (if their NOK is also their welfare attorney or welfare guardian, leave blank and move to page 2)

Surname

First Name (s)

Address

Postcode

Telephone number

Email address

Relationship to the patient  Partner  
 Sibling  
 Son/Daughter  
 Other (specify)





**Treatment**

Background and clinical history

Current clinical state

Diagnosis/Diagnoses (with ICD-11 codes if applicable)

**Primary ICD 11 Code**

Mental illness	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	•	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Personality disorder	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	•	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Learning disability	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	•	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

*Please enter primary ICD 11 diagnosis code for each disorder present.*

[Click here for ICD11 Coding Tool](#)



**Treatment (cont)**

Treatment plan and rationale

Steps taken to comply with the principles of Adults with Incapacity Act

**Treatments specified in Section 48 as requiring second opinion are:**

Please tick the one that is appropriate:

- (a) Drug treatment for the purposes of reducing sex drive, other than surgical implantation of hormones
- (b) Electro-convulsive therapy (ECT) for mental disorder   
Is it for "maintenance ECT"?  Yes  No
- (c) Abortion
- (d) Any medical treatment which is considered likely by the medical practitioner primarily responsible for that treatment to lead to sterilisation as an unavoidable result

The above treatment cannot proceed without a separate Section 47 certificate covering that treatment completed by the medical practitioner primarily responsible for this patient.

Please confirm that there is a separate Section 47 Certificate of Incapacity in place for the above treatment:  Yes

NB AWI section 48 cannot be used to authorise treatment for mental disorder if the adult is subject to compulsion under the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 or a mental health order under the Criminal Procedures (Scotland) Act 1995. If the person is subject to compulsory treatment under the 2003 Act or the 1995 Act, and treatment with ECT for mental disorder or medication to reduce sex drive is proposed, please request a Designated Medical Practitioner visit using a SOP1 form instead.



