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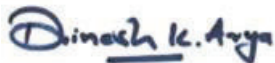
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Subject: Mental Health Act Forms

It has recently been brought to my attention that some facilities may still have incorrect/outdated Mental Health Act forms.

It is essential that old forms are removed and only approved (and therefore correct) forms are used when initiating actions under the Mental Health Act 2013. Not using an approved form may invalidate detention, assessment and treatment of people requiring involuntary care.

Approved forms are available on the Office of Chief Psychiatrist's webpage ([Office of the Chief Psychiatrist - Information for Clinicians page](#)) along with standing orders, advisory notes and other resources to support the care and treatment of individuals under the Act.



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