

Your stay in hospital

Making you better

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Coming to hospital for assessment and treatment

Your name:.....

Your hospital doctor is:.....

You have come to:

Date you came to hospital:.....



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Why I am in hospital

- You have been brought to hospital because you are not well



- You might feel ok but your doctor has said you are not well



- The doctors want to make you feel better
- You will get help to make you feel better

- You can be kept in hospital because of Section 37 of the Mental Health Act 1983

- The Mental Health Act 1983 is a law.
A law is like a rule



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My stay in Hospital

- You can be kept in hospital for up to 6 months
- The doctor will say when you can leave hospital



- If you try to leave before the doctor says it is ok, you can be stopped
- If you leave hospital before the doctor says it is ok, you will be brought back



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The help I will get in hospital

- The doctors will try to find out why you are not well



- You may have to take tablets or medicine

- These are the people who will help you to get better:

- The doctor
- The nurses
- The therapists
- The psychologist
- The support workers



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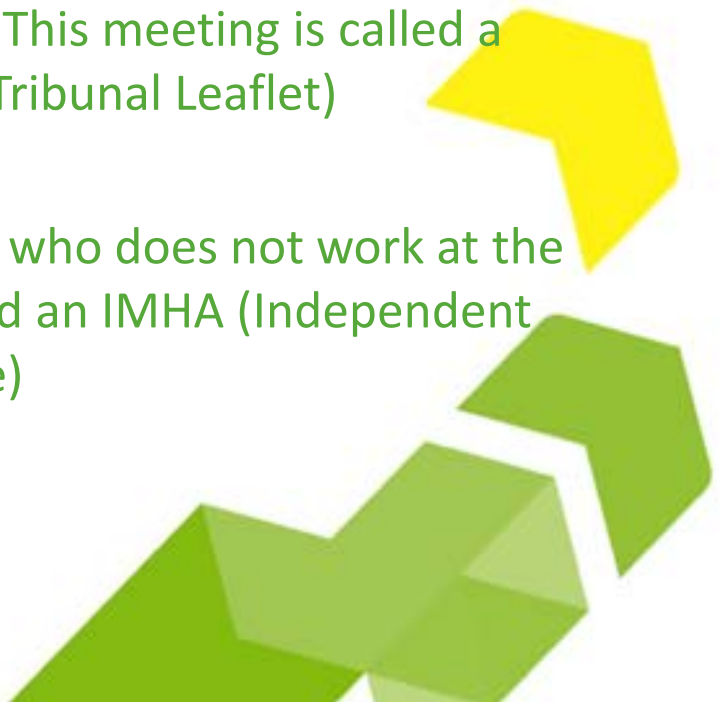
What will happen next

- Every week you will be able to meet with your doctor and talk about being in hospital and any worries you have
- Your doctor may agree that you need to stay longer than 6 months
- If this happens your doctor will talk to you about this



Appeals

- You can tell us if you do not want to be in hospital and we will have a meeting. This meeting is called a tribunal (see easy read Tribunal Leaflet)
- You can talk to a person who does not work at the hospital – they are called an IMHA (Independent Mental Health Advocate)



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