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Your rights under the Mental Health Act 1983

Section 48

If you become mentally ill whilst in prison



Your name:



Your Doctor is:

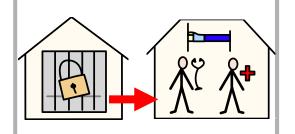


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Information for patients



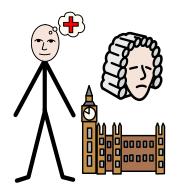




Section 48 of the Mental Health Act allows a person who becomes mentally ill while on remand in prison, to be moved to hospital.



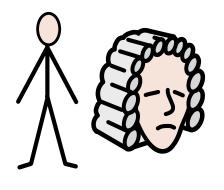
The prison Doctor will arrange for an assessment.



The Home Secretary decides if the individual should be moved.



The patient can be given treatment whether they are in agreement or not.



The patient can appeal immediately to the Mental Health Review Tribunal if they do not agree with the move to hospital.

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