



CHIEF PSYCHIATRIST
OF
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

WA MENTAL HEALTH
ACT 2014

SECTIONS: 98, 101

Please use ID label or block print

FAMILY NAME

UMRN

GIVEN NAMES

CMHI

BIRTHDATE

GENDER

ADDRESS

FORM 7D – APPREHENSION AND RETURN ORDER

Hospital or other place from which
the person is absent without leave: _____

Hospital or other place to which the
person must be taken if apprehended: _____

Reasons for making this order:

☐ I am satisfied that no other safe means of ensuring that the person returns to the hospital or other place is reasonably available.

Any comments (Optional)

Name of person making this order: _____

Qualifications of person making this order: _____

Signature of person making this order: _____

Date and time that this order is made:

Date: DD/MM/YY Time: HH:MM

Date and time that this order will expire:

Date: DD/MM/YY Time: HH:MM

(14 days from the day on which the order is made, cannot be extended).

REVOCATION OF APPREHENSION AND RETURN ORDER (if required)

Reasons for revoking order:

☐ I am satisfied that the apprehension and return order is no longer needed.

Any comments (optional):

Name of person revoking the order: _____

Qualifications of person revoking the order: _____

Signature of person revoking the order: _____

Date and time the order is revoked:

Date: DD/MM/YY Time: HH:MM

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Notes: Form 7D – Apprehension and return order

When to use this form:

A person in charge of a hospital or other place or a medical practitioner may make an order using this form, in respect of person who is absent without leave from the hospital or other place if satisfied that no other safe means of ensuring that the person returns to the hospital or other place is reasonably available (s98).

Definition of absence without leave:

A person is absent without leave from a hospital or other place if:

- a person is being detained in order to be taken to an authorised hospital or other place, or to be assessed or examined, and leaves the place where he or she is being detained; or
- a person is under an inpatient treatment order and the person is away from the hospital without having been granted leave, or leave was cancelled or expired and the person has not returned to hospital; or
- a person has breached a community treatment order and is being detained at a place specified in a *Form 5F - Order to Attend*, and he or she leaves that place (s97).

Operation of order:

An apprehension and return order authorises a police officer or a person prescribed by the regulations to:

- apprehend the person; and
- if the person is apprehended – take the person to the hospital or other place specified in this order as soon as practicable and in any event, before the order expires; and
- for the purpose of taking the person to that hospital or other place, detain the person until either the person is received into the hospital or other place, or the order expires (whichever happens first) (s99).

Duration and revocation of order:

- An apprehension and return order remains in force for 14 days from the day on which the order is made (s100) or until it is revoked using the revocation section of this form (s101).
- An apprehension and return order cannot be extended (s100).

Revocation of order:

- The apprehension and return order can be revoked if the person in charge of a hospital or other place from which a person is absent without leave or a medical practitioner is satisfied that the apprehension and return order is no longer needed (s101).

Checklist of *Mental Health Act 2014* requirements related to this form:

Notes

- ☐ File this form on the person's medical record.
- ☐ Give a copy of this form to the police officer or person who will carry out the order.

If the order is revoked:

- ☐ File this form with the revocation section completed, on the person's medical record.
- ☐ Advise the police officer or person responsible for carrying out the apprehension and return order of the revocation and file a record of the advice.