



CHIEF PSYCHIATRIST
of Western Australia

Register of Approved ECT Sites in Western Australia

Mental Health Act 2014

Section 544

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Introduction

The *Mental Health Act 2014* (MHA 2014) requires that all services that perform electroconvulsive therapy (ECT) in Western Australia (WA) be approved by the Chief Psychiatrist (CP) (s.544).

Division 5 – Mental health services approved for electroconvulsive therapy

S.544. Chief Psychiatrist to approve mental health services

(1) The Chief Psychiatrist may, by order published in the Gazette, approve a mental health service as a mental health service at which electroconvulsive therapy can be performed.

(2) The order may specify any conditions subject to which electroconvulsive therapy can be performed.

(3) The Chief Psychiatrist may, by order published in the Gazette, amend or revoke an order published under subsection (1).

In order to be Approved, mental health services are required to meet the *Chief Psychiatrist's Practice Standards for the Administration of Electroconvulsive Therapy* (October 2015) and the standards of the Licensing and Accreditation Regularly Unit (LARU), Department of Health Western Australia.

The guiding principles for the Chief Psychiatrist's standards are:

- The promotion of safe and therapeutic, high quality treatment to patients.
- A focus on provision of information to patients and carers.
- A focus on involving the patient and where appropriate the carer in the patient's own treatment (patients should be involved in all decisions regarding their treatment and care, and as far as possible, given the opportunity to choose their treatment and setting).
- Patients have the right to have their nominated carer involved in all aspects of their care when they choose to exercise that right.
- ECT treatment and support should be coordinated in a manner that ensures continuity of care for the patient between service providers and settings.
- A focus on the issue of informed consent and when ECT may be administered without the provision of consent.
- The promotion of therapeutic evaluation of ECT.
- Awareness of best practice and continual quality improvement processes.
- Ensure clinical practice is driven by evidence base where this exists.
- Compliance with all relevant legislation including the MHA 2014, consent to treatment and amendments and all related legislation which has been amended or subsequently replaced as relevant legislation.

The mental health services listed in this Register have each been assessed as meeting the required standards following a review by the Chief Psychiatrist, and are therefore approved to perform ECT as per requirements of the Mental Health 2014.

ECT Sites Approved by the Chief Psychiatrist

Approved ECT Site	Date of Approval for ECT	Date Due for Re-approval	Revoked
Albany Health Campus	30/11/2015	29/11/2018	
Bentley Hospital	30/11/2015	29/11/2018	
Fiona Stanley Hospital	12/02/2016	29/11/2018	17/05/2017
Fremantle Hospital	30/11/2015	29/11/2018	
Hollywood Clinic	30/11/2015	29/11/2018	
Joondalup Health Campus	30/11/2015	29/11/2018	
The Marian Centre	30/11/2015	29/11/2018	
Perth Clinic	30/11/2015	29/11/2018	
Rockingham General Hospital	30/11/2015	29/11/2018	
Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital	30/11/2015	29/11/2018	
St. John of God Midland Public Hospital	30/11/2015	29/11/2018	