



**Your rights under Section 2
(of the Mental Health Act 1983)**




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Please choose:




	✓ or ✗
<p>I would like to read this leaflet and then I will ask questions.</p> 	
<p>I would like the staff to read this leaflet to me and then I will ask questions.</p> 	

You have come to XYZ Hospital under section 2 of the Mental Health Act.





This leaflet will help you to understand what this means.

Your name:	
Your XYZ Doctor will be:	
Date you came to XYZ:	


Why am I living at XYZ Hospital?

<p>You are in XYZ under Section 2 of the Mental Health Act (1983). This is a law</p>	
<p>Two Doctors say that you are unwell</p>	
<p>You may not feel unwell</p>	

What will happen whilst I am living at XYZ Hospital?

<p>Whilst you are here the team will assess you.</p>	
<p>You may be asked to take medicine. If you are not sure what the medicine does please ask the Doctor.</p>	
<p>You may be asked to go to groups that are run by the team here.</p>	
<p>You may be seen on a one to one basis by a member of the XYZ Hospital team.</p>	

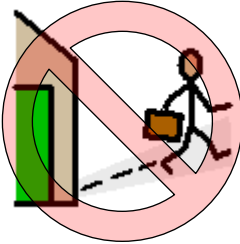


How long will I be living at XYZ Hospital?

<p>Under Section 2 of the Mental Health Act (1983) you can be kept at XYZ Hospital for up to 28 days.</p>	<p>28  ++ 28 days</p>
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After 28 days the Doctor at XYZ Hospital will assess you and decide either:

<p>1) You will stay at XYZ Hospital under Section 2 of the Mental Health Act (1983) for another 28 days.</p>	<p>OR</p>	<p>2) You will stay at XYZ Hospital under Section 3 of the Mental Health Act (1983). Please see the 'Your Rights as under Section 3' leaflet.</p>	<p>OR</p>	<p>3) You will stay at XYZ Hospital as an 'Informal Patient'. Please see the 'Your Rights as an Informal Patient' leaflet</p>	<p>OR</p>	<p>4) You will be transferred out of XYZ Hospital.</p>
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Can I leave XYZ Hospital?

<p>Under Section 2 of the Mental health Act (1983) you cannot leave until the Doctor says you can leave.</p>	
<p>If you try to leave XYZ Hospital before the Doctor says you can leave you will be stopped.</p>	
<p>If you leave XYZ Hospital before the Doctor says you can leave you will be brought back.</p>	

What questions would you like to ask? (please tick)

	 or 
I understand what I have read and I have no questions.	
I do <u>not</u> understand what I have read and I have questions. My questions are:	