

Form approved by the Ministry of Social Affairs and Health **OBSERVATION STATEMENT**

Form M2

(Please fill in using the language of the form)

For a person recommended for involuntary psychiatric hospital treatment

1. Personal data of the person examined	Surname	Personal identity code
	Given names	
2. Observation statement	<p>The observation statement has been drawn up for the purpose of</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> deciding on ordering to treatment <input type="checkbox"/> deciding on continuation of treatment</p> <p>Admitted for observation in a hospital on ____ / ____ _____</p> <p>Name and position of the physician who admitted the patient for observation: _____</p> <p>The previous decision on ordering to treatment was made on ____ / ____ _____</p> <p>Observations made during the observation period</p>	
3. Grounds for ordering to involuntary psychiatric hospital treatment	<p>(Describe how each factor that must be assessed pursuant to section 8 of the Mental Health Act manifests itself in the case of the examinee)</p> <p>Psychotic disorder (section 8(1)) or a serious mental disorder of a person under 18 years of age (section 8(2))</p> <p>Need for treatment</p> <p>Reasons for why other mental health services are inapplicable (section 8(1) and (2)) or inadequate (section 8(1))</p>	
4. Hearing	<p>Before a decision is made on the matter, the examinee must be provided with an opportunity to be heard as set forth in section 11(1) of the Mental Health Act and sections 34 and 36 of the Administrative Procedure Act (434/2003). If the matter is decided without such hearing, this must be duly justified pursuant to section 34(2) of the Administrative Procedure Act. The examinee's statement must be recorded as such in the observation statement. In addition, the examinee's written account can be appended to the observation statement if such has been given by the examinee. If the examinee does not express their opinion when heard, an explanation on how the examinee has been provided with an opportunity to be heard must be recorded in the observation</p>	

<p>Hearing of the examinee</p>	<p>statement.</p> <p>The examinee's opinion on ordering to treatment.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The examinee's written account is enclosed if the examinee has given any</p>				
<p>Hearing of the legal representative and other parties</p>	<p>The provisions on the legal representative's right to be heard and the hearing of the legal representative are laid down in sections 14, 15 and 34–36 of the Administrative Procedure Act. Additionally, the parents and guardians of a minor admitted to observation, as well as the persons in whose care and upbringing the minor has been immediately prior to the admission for observation must, in as much as possible, be provided with an opportunity to be heard pursuant to section 11(1) of the Mental Health Act and sections 34 and 36 of the Administrative Procedure Act. If the matter is decided without such hearing, this must be duly justified as set forth in section 34(2) of the Administrative Procedure Act.</p>				
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5. Further

(For example, in the event that the examinee, when heard, consents to hospital treatment)

<p>information</p>	
<p>6. Assessment by a physician independent of the hospital</p>	<p>In case of continuation of involuntary treatment (sections 12(1), 17 and 22(1) of the Mental Health Act)</p> <p>Assessment by a physician independent of the hospital responsible for the treatment, arranged by the hospital. The physician independent of the hospital must be a public service physician who is specialised in psychiatry, or other qualified public service physician with expertise in psychiatry. The hospital must inform the patient of the possibility to get an assessment from a physician independent of the hospital.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The hospital has arranged an assessment on the need for treatment from a physician independent of the hospital, the statement is enclosed (section 12a(1) of the Mental Health Act)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The examinee refused the assessment by a physician independent of the hospital arranged by the hospital (section 12b of the Mental Health Act)</p> <p>The reasons for the refusal stated by the examinee, if any</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The conclusion in the observation statement differs from the assessment of the physician independent of the hospital arranged by the hospital (section 12a(3) of the Mental Health Act)</p> <p>Reasons for why the conclusion is different from the assessment of the physician independent of the hospital</p> <p>Assessment made by a physician chosen by the examinee. The patient must be provided with an opportunity to request an assessment on their need for involuntary treatment also from a physician of their own choosing.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The examinee has requested an assessment on their need for involuntary treatment from a physician of their own choosing, the statement is enclosed (section 12c of the Mental Health Act)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The conclusion in the observation statement differs from the assessment of the physician chosen by the examinee (sections 12a(3) and 12c(2) of the Mental Health Act)</p> <p>Reasons for why the conclusion is different from the assessment of the physician chosen by the examinee</p>
<p>7. Conclusions</p>	<p>Based on the foregoing, I hold that the conditions referred to in section 8 of the Mental Health Act for admitting the examinee to involuntary psychiatric hospital treatment are met, because the examinee is</p> <p>1) <input type="checkbox"/> psychotic and in need of treatment because of their psychotic disorder so that (section 8(1)) <input type="checkbox"/> under 18 years of age and due to a serious mental disorder in need of treatment so that (section 8(2))</p> <p>2) if not treated, that would considerably worsen their <input type="checkbox"/> psychotic disorder <input type="checkbox"/> disorder (section 8(2) only) (section 8(1) only)</p> <p>severely endanger their <input type="checkbox"/> health <input type="checkbox"/> safety</p> <p>severely endanger others' <input type="checkbox"/> health <input type="checkbox"/> safety</p> <p>3) and other mental health services</p>

	<input type="checkbox"/> are inapplicable (section 8(1) and (2)) <input type="checkbox"/> are inadequate (only section 8(1))
	<input type="checkbox"/> Based on the foregoing, I hold that the conditions for involuntary psychiatric hospital treatment are not met.
8. Date and signature	<p>The physician who produces an observation statement must be employed in the public service with the state, a municipality or a joint municipal authority.</p> <p>I hereby certify on my honour and conscience that the above information is true and correct.</p> <p>Hospital, date</p> <p>Physician's signature</p> <p>Clarification of signature, title, position and identification code</p>