Review of Mental Health Act 2014

The Mental Health Commission (MHC) is reviewing the Mental Health Act 2014 (the Act). To assist with the review, we are seeking feedback from people who have had experience (whether voluntarily or involuntarily) with mental health services since December 2015. This includes feedback from families and carers as well. The review will focus on the Objects (Part 3) of the Act particularly in relation to the following:

• Ensuring people who have been placed under the Act are provided the best possible treatment and care;
  - with the least possible restriction on their freedom; and
  - with the least possible interference with their rights; and
  - with respect for their dignity;
• Recognising and facilitating the involvement of people who have been placed under the Act (and their families and carers) in treatment, care and support;
• Helping minimise the effect of mental illness on family life; and
• Ensuring the protection of people who have or may have a mental illness.

Questions relate to your experience under the Mental Health Act 2014, which involves being engaged (whether voluntarily or involuntarily) in mental health services since December 2015. The Act also includes the Charter of Mental Health Care Principles which all mental health services must make every effort to comply with.


Your response to the survey will be anonymous. The responses provided will be collated and non-identifying information may be included in the final published version of the review.

We would greatly appreciate your input, however, you do not need to respond to all questions if you do not wish to do so. Additionally, you may close out of the survey by closing the Survey Monkey tab in your internet browser, and return to it again at a later time. Please note that the survey will close at midnight on 17 July 2017.

The whole survey may take approximately 20 – 30 minutes to complete, however, you may move through the survey faster if you choose not to add comments.

To complete the survey, please either click on the link below or type the following into your web browser:
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