

Next Steps

After completing this form:

- you must ensure reasonable steps are taken to:
 - **tell** the person that the Assessment Order has been varied
 - **give** the person a copy of this variation
 - **explain** the purpose and effect of the variation
 - **give** the person a copy of the statement of rights—*Assessment Order*—and explain the information
- **notify** the authorised psychiatrist of the relevant designated mental health service and give them a copy of this variation
- **arrange** for the person to be taken to the relevant designated mental health service, if you varied a Community Assessment Order to an Inpatient Assessment Order.

Notes

If a Community Assessment Order is varied to an Inpatient Assessment Order, the person must be taken to a designated mental health service as soon as practicable.

This ***MHA 103 -Variation of Assessment Order*** is sufficient authority to transport the person to a designated mental health service and to detain the person in the service for assessment.

Contact details of your local designated mental health service can be obtained at www.health.vic.gov.au/mentalhealth/services/index

Definition

'**Mental health practitioner**' is a person who is employed or engaged by a designated mental health service and is a:

- registered psychologist
- registered nurse
- social worker
- registered occupational therapist.