

Scottish Mental Health Law Review

Terms of Reference for the Compulsion Workstream – Easy Read



On March 19th 2019 it was decided by the Scottish Government that there would be a review of mental health law.

A review is when people look at the law and decide if it needs to change. You can find out more about this in the terms of reference for the review. You can access this by clicking on the following link: [Easy Read Terms of Reference](#)



The group is made up of professionals who work with mental health law and people who have experienced being treated under mental health law or people who have cared for someone being treated under mental health law.



The Mental Health Act says that doctors can make a person with a mental disorder take medicine or other treatment to make them better even if they don't agree. The Mental Health Act also says that a person can be made to stay in hospital if professionals think they need it.



This group will decide the best way to find out how people feel about this. When the group have this information they will use this to make suggestions to the person in charge of the review about how this could be made better.