

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH**

Application For Care And Treatment On A Conditional Voluntary Basis
M.G.L. Chapter 123, Sections 10 & 11
(made by a Patient Age 16 or Older)

Name of Patient (please print) _____

Address: _____ City/Town _____ State _____

Date of Birth: _____ Sex M F

To the Facility Director* of _____
Name of Facility

1. I am 16 years of age or older and hereby apply to be a patient at the above facility.
2. I realize that when I want to leave the facility, I must give written notice to the Facility Director, who may delay my departure for up to three days (excluding Saturday, Sunday and holidays).
3. Once I give notice of my intention to leave the facility, I realize that if the Facility Director thinks I might be a danger to myself or other people because of my mental illness, he or she may petition the District Court within the three-day period to have me committed to (ordered to stay at) the facility for up to six months. The Court will schedule a hearing. I have a right to be represented by an attorney at the hearing. If I cannot afford an attorney, the Court will appoint one for me. After the filing of the petition, the Court has five (5) business days to begin a hearing on the petition for commitment. During this time, I must remain at the facility. At the hearing, the judge will decide whether or not I can leave the facility.
4. I agree to receive treatment at this facility for my mental illness. I understand, however, that this agreement does not limit my right to refuse at any time specific treatment interventions that may be offered such as antipsychotic medication or electroconvulsive therapy.
5. I have been given a copy of my Notice of Rights (Form CV-301).
6. I have been offered the opportunity to consult with a lawyer or person under the supervision of an attorney concerning the effect of a conditional voluntary admission.
7. I understand that the facility will accept or reject this application in accordance with applicable clinical and legal standards.

Signature of Patient

Date

Witness

Date

*The Facility Director is the superintendent, chief executive officer, program director, or other administrator designated by the facility to have administrative oversight of a facility, or his or her designee.

ACCEPTANCE/REJECTION BY THE FACILITY

In accordance with the criteria set forth below the application shall be accepted or rejected, by a designated clinician* of the facility.

- | | Yes | No |
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| 1. This patient | | |
| A. has been diagnosed with mental illness as defined in 104 CMR 27.05(2), | | |
| B. is in need of care and treatment for this mental illness, | | |
| C. is in need of hospitalization (i) for such care and treatment <u>or</u> (ii) to prevent serious harm due to the absence of a more appropriate placement alternative. | | |
| 2. This facility is suitable for such care and treatment. | | |
| 3. I have determined that this patient understands that he/she: | | |
| A. is agreeing to stay and receive treatment at this facility, | | |
| B. must sign a three-day notice of his/her intention to leave, | | |
| C. may or may not be allowed to leave without a court hearing. | | |

If every box is checked "Yes", then the application shall be accepted unless the patient has not yet been admitted, in which case the application may be accepted only if the facility's criteria for admission have been met. If any box is checked "No", the application shall be rejected, unless only boxes "1.A", "1.B", or "2" are checked "No" in which case the facility may accept if the patient's conditional voluntary hospitalization is necessary to prevent serious harm due to the absence of a more appropriate placement alternative.

The patient may not sign a three-day notice unless this form has been accepted

I, a designated clinician* of this facility, hereby (check all applicable boxes):

4. **Accept** this application for conditional voluntary hospitalization:
- A. Patient is applying for care and treatment on a conditional voluntary basis.
 - B. I have determined that the patient has the capacity to apply for conditional voluntary hospitalization.
 - C. I have determined that applicable criteria for conditional voluntary admission status are met.
 - D. Only boxes "1.A", "1.B", or "2" are checked "No" and continued hospitalization is necessary to prevent serious harm due to the absence of a more appropriate placement alternative.
5. **Reject** this application for conditional voluntary hospitalization. Reasons:

Designated Clinician's Signature

Date

Printed Name

Title

This patient's capacity to remain on Conditional Voluntary status must be reassessed at the time of each periodic review.

FILE IN PATIENT'S RECORD IMMEDIATELY

* A physician or qualified advanced practice registered nurse, authorized, as applicable, by the Department pursuant to 104 CMR 33.00