

Health practitioner examination report

Victims of Crime Assistance Act 2009, form 4, v3

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Under section 73(4) of the *Victims of Crime Assistance Act 2009* the Government Assessor may ask an applicant (the patient) to undergo an examination by a health practitioner as defined in the Act. This may include provision of an independent medical examination report. The patient has given prior consent for the report to be provided to the Government Assessor. A copy of the patient's signed consent form is attached. The purpose of the report is to provide the Government Assessor with information necessary to decide a grant for financial assistance to pay for, or reimburse, the costs of goods and services that the victim requires to recover from the physical or psychological effects of an act of violence.

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1. Patient details

Please note:

The application reference number and information about the act of violence are in the attached letter.

Full name:
Date of birth:
Address:

Application reference #:
Assessment/examination date:

2. Patient injuries

Please note:

We can only provide financial assistance for injuries that were directly caused by the act of violence.

Eligible injuries may include any of the following:

- physical injuries
- psychological injuries
- exacerbation of a pre-existing physical or psychological condition.

For victims of sexual offences that occurred after 19 December 1997 or domestic and family violence that occurred after 1 July 2017; an injury may also include an adverse impact. Adverse impacts include any of the following:

- a sense of violation
- adverse reactions to others
- reduced sense of self-worth
- a negative impact on sexual relations
- increased fear or insecurity
- a negative impact on feelings.

Sources of information informing this review

E.g. patient files, contact with patient, contact with treating practitioner.

Primary diagnosis

If assessing psychological injuries, please provide DSM5 diagnosis.

If assessing more than 1 injury, please provide details for each.

Primary cause of injury

Are there any pre-existing conditions we should be aware of?

Yes

No

If yes, what is the original diagnosis and how has the patient's condition changed?

3. Treatment progress

What stage of treatment is the patient currently focusing on?

* A condition is stable and stationary when the condition is not likely to improve further with treatment. This suggest the condition has reached maximal medical improvement and that suitable rehabilitation has been carried out.

Acute care/stabilisation

Treatment of injuries

Rehabilitation/reintegration

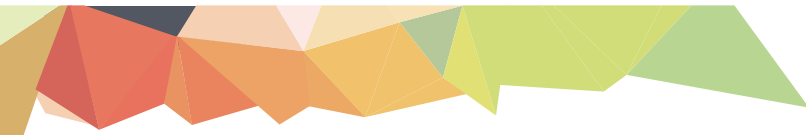
Winding down care

Exacerbation resolved, mainly treating pre-existing condition

Maintenance /monitoring of stable and stationary* injury

Other:





4. Treatment details

We recognise it may be difficult to separate the act of violence injury, illness or condition from pre-existing conditions (particularly with treatment and rehabilitation activities).

However, assessment of treatment needs and any permanent impairment must be restricted to the act of violence component of the injury, illness or condition.

Current treatment

What treatment/therapies has the treating practitioner been using to date?

Diagnostics

Have any diagnostics been carried out to date? If yes, please provide details.

Would any other diagnostics help identify the injuries and/or the best course of treatment.

Medications

Opinions

In your professional opinion, is the current treatment helping the patient recover from their injuries?

With the current injuries in mind, is the current treatment/therapy considered appropriate and in-line with current best-practice?

5. Prognosis

What is the likely outcome of the current treatment?

Based on your diagnosis has the injury/exacerbation caused by the act of violence ceased? If not, when do you expect it is likely to be resolved?

If the patient has a pre-existing condition: what is the anticipated duration of treatment for the act of violence component, and at what point is the treatment likely to focus primarily on the pre-existing condition?

6. Recommendations

Are there any other recommendations you would like to make?

Please add any additional comments to assist the Government Assessor in making their decision.

Practitioner name:

Practice name:

Phone:

Fax:

Email:

Provider number:

Specialty:

Registration Board:

Membership number:

Practice stamp:

Signature:

Date:

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