



Using Human Rights to Get Me Home



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Talking about your human rights in court



One of the final steps you can take to have your rights protected is to apply for judicial review.



Judicial review is where a court looks at a decision made by a public official over your treatment.



The court will decide whether the public official made the right decision over your treatment.



Sometimes the court may say that the public official did make the right decision. In these cases, nothing else will happen.



But if the court finds the public official didn't make the decision in the right way, they will be told to make the decision again.



This means the public official will need to make the decision about your treatment again.



Sometimes they may come to the same decision as before, but they will have to show it respects your rights.



The court may also order that the breach of your rights is put right.



This could mean you are paid money to make up for your rights not being respected.



It could also mean that actions that are affecting your rights must be stopped, including letting you go home if you are staying in hospital for too long or for no good reason.