

Protocol of Guidance for persons detained under Section 136 in a Mental Health Place of Safety (MH PoS) under the age of 18.

The following guidance is pertaining to persons under the age of 18 who are detained on a Section 136. Usual Section 136 guidance remains relevant with the additional points below to be adhered to.

1. Crisis Resolution and Home Treatment Team (CRHT) clinician to ensure that next of kin is obtained. To be entered onto RiO in Section 136 documentation.
 2. CRHT Clinician to ensure that any other services involved with the young person is obtained. To be entered onto RiO in Section 136 documentation.
 3. CRHT Clinician/Mental Health Act (MHA) assessment team to ensure contact is made with point 1 and 2.
 4. Family member/carer to be with detained young person whilst in a MH PoS to be considered and actioned.
 5. ICTS (Universal CRHT Clinician) clinician Band 6 or above to be invited to support the young person in the MH PoS. CRHT to initiate request at point of triage. This is to ensure that the needs of the detained young person are best met. Children and Young People Service (CYPS) nurse to act as second nurse during the young person's time in the suite and to participate in assessment as appropriate.
 6. Detained young person to be given appropriate Section 136 rights leaflet and rights explained to them as per leaflet guidance.
 7. Refreshments to be offered and accessed as per usual route whilst explaining that the person in suite is young and thus ensuring that refreshments are age appropriate.
 8. In the event of prolonged wait at suite, activities are available for the detained young person as required. These are mindfulness activities and self-soothing items and are held in box in locked MH PoS suite office. CYPS and CRHT clinician to risk assess the appropriateness of sharing activities with the young person at time of need. To be recorded on RiO.
- **During Covid19 pandemic it is not possible to hold these items at the suite****
9. Plan of care following MHA assessment to be shared with all services involved in care by the Mental Health Act Assessment team.