

# Mental Health Care Act, 2002

ACT NO.	17 of 2002
CATEGORY	Family & Social

## Summary

Procedures for voluntary, assisted and involuntary mental health care and the rights of mental health care users.

## Full text of the Act

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to provide for the care, treatment and rehabilitation of persons who are mentally ill;

to set out different procedures to be followed in the admission of such persons;

to establish Review Boards in respect of every health establishment;

to determine their powers and functions;

to provide for the care and administration of the property of mentally ill persons;

to repeal certain laws; and

to provide for matters connected therewith.

Commencement

15 December 2004 (Gazette 27116 of 15 December 2004)

Amendments

Amended by Legal Aid South Africa Act 39 of 2014

Amended by Mental Health Care Amendment Act 12 of 2014

Amended by Judicial Matters Amendment Act 55 of 2002

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