

THE NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION REGULATION  
ON THE TRANSFER OF A PERSON TO RECEIVE INITIAL EXAMINATION  
AND ASSESSMENT OF SYPTOMS,  
B.E. 2551 (2008)<sup>1</sup>

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By Virtue of section 10 (6) and section 25 paragraph two of the Mental Health Act B.E. 2551, the National Mental Health Commission hereby issues the regulation, as follows

**Clause 1.** This Regulation is called “The National Mental Health Commission Regulation on the Transfer of a Person to Receive Initial Examination and Assessment of Symptoms B.E. 2551”.

**Clause 2.**<sup>2</sup> This Regulation shall come into force from the day following the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

**Clause 3.** In transferring a person to a state’s health care facility or a treatment facility, by the person responsible at a detention or welfare facility or by a probation officer, the following process shall be carried out:

(1) When the person responsible at a detention or welfare facility or when a probation officer finds that a person under his or her care and responsibility has such behaviours which may reasonably be believed that the person is of the characters under section 22 of the Mental Health Act B.E. 2551, prior notification shall be given by telephone

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or by other means to nearby state's health care facility or a treatment facility without delay, before transferring the person, in order to co-ordinate the transfer of such person to receive initial examination and assessment of symptoms;

(2) In transferring a person to a state's health care facility or a treatment facility, a transfer document must be done in 1 original and 1 copy with the following details:

(a) the name, surname and details concerning the person with mental disorder and the reason for the transfer;

(b) the transferring agency and the date and time of the transfer;

(c) the behaviour and symptoms of the person under care;

(d) the initial assistance;

(e) the address and telephone number of the patient's relative that can be contacted;

(3) The transferor shall submit 1 transfer document to the state's health care facility or the treatment facility and keep, for the record, 1 copy of the transfer document which has been signed by the transferee.

Given on the 6<sup>th</sup> Day of October B.E. 2551

Mr. Samak Sundaravej

Prime Minister

Chairperson of the National Mental Health Commission

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