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**DH Circular 63/2020**  
DH 849/2020

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**Attention All:** Consultants  
Medical Officers  
Pharmacists  
Pharmacy Technicians  
Nurses

### **Extension of validity of DH 75 Documents**

It is being brought to your attention that, following the transfer of psychiatric outpatient services from Mater Dei Hospital into the community centres, the validity of the DH 75 entitlement document for psychiatric treatment is automatically being extended for a period of 1 year from the expiry date. This is being allowed in order for psychiatric outpatient treatment to continue whilst these new services settle in.

Dispensing will be allowed on expired entitlement documents for a period of 1 year. Patients do not need to visit the Consultant or POYC offices for renewal.

The above does not apply, however, to requests for new treatment. Applications for new treatment are to continue as per usual procedure.

It is also being brought to your attention that henceforth, GPs can renew the DH 75 entitlement document and also adjust dosages of medication if need be. Renewal of the DH 75 or changes in dosages are to be countersigned by the GP on the original DH 75 document issued by the Consultant Psychiatrists or their delegates.

The updated DH 75 form is attached to this circular.

It is important to clarify that the DH 75 entitlement document may only be utilised for those patients that are not stable on current psychiatric treatment and may require frequent changes in medicines or doses, since it is not practical to list the entitled medicines on the Schedule V document. Those patients that are stable on treatment should have their medicines listed on the Schedule V document, which is renewable every 10 years and hence do not require a DH 75 entitlement document.

For your attention please.

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**Community Mental Health Services**  
**Tel:**

Tabib/a

Re \_\_\_\_\_ ID \_\_\_\_\_ Data: \_\_\_\_\_

Dan/din il-pazjent/a ibati/tbati minn \_\_\_\_\_ għal liema kundizzjoni  
qiegħed/qegħda jingħata/tingħata din il-kura:

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Int gentilment mitlub/a biex tkompli tikteb din il-medicina, u tbiddel id-dozi jekk tara li hemm il-bzonn. Tista ukoll iggedded dan il-permess li huwa validu għal sena mid-data ta fuq jew tirreferi lil pazjent/a għal follow-up meta jinqala l-bzonn.

Dejjem tiegħek

**Għall pazjent:**

Mur għand it-tabib/a tal-Health Center jew berga jew għand it-tabib/a tiegħek biex jiktbulek ir-ricetta għall-medicini. B'din il-karta, flimkien mar-ricetta tat-tobba, il-kartuna s-safra jew roża, u l-ID card, mur fl-ispizerija minn fejn tiġbor il-medicini, sabiex isirulek l-arrangamenti meħtieġa sabiex tiġbor il-medicini.

**Stqarrija dwar il-Protezzjoni tad-Data**

Kull informazzjoni (data) personali mitluba hija meħtieġa biex inti tkun provdut bis-servizzi tas-saħħa skond il-bzonn. Id-data tiġi pproċessata strettament b'mod konfidenzjali skond l-Att Dwar il-Protezzjoni tad-Data u kif permess nil-liġi. Jekk int tista tingħata aktar informazzjoni dwar din id-data.