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Part 2: Mental Health Act Discussion. Friday April 16th

Format for the day:

We plan to host six themed discussion groups each in a ZOOM breakout room with a facilitator and a scribe. Each group will have a few themes open for discussion.

During the booking process, participants can express preference amongst the six themes (in the table, below) that they are most interested in discussing

The group discussion themes correspond with those identified by the Department of Health and adopted in consultations hosted by Mental Health Reform.

The group facilitator will provide clarity on the language used and a clear example of theme up for discussion. Each group will address the theme under simple headings – What works? What could be improved? Etc. The scribe will take careful notes of feedback on each theme.

In the afternoon session, all participants will gather to hear each scribe present the group's feedback. This is an opportunity to ensure the information gathered in each group is clearly documented and more widely discussed.

Addressing concerns:

Each group facilitator will facilitate a brief discussion to achieve consensus on how their group will support itself to get the work done and will explain how participants in distress can discreetly arrange immediate support.

While individual contributions and experiences are key to discussion, there is a value in capturing the experience and opinion of all participants. Facilitators may “park” some discussions or representations for consideration in an extended session later in the afternoon.

Group	Themes
Group 1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Definitions & language 2. Guiding Principles
Group 2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Criteria for detention 2. Recovery Care Planning
Group 3	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Capacity 2. Consent 3. Involuntary to Voluntary
Group 4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Authorised Officers 2. Multidisciplinary Approach 3. Enhanced Safeguards
Group 5	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shorter timeframes



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	2. Children and Young people
Group 6	1. The Rights of Supporters & Carers