

# Supervised treatment orders

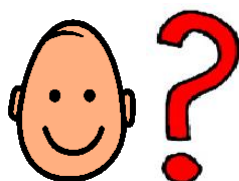
## Do you need help from a lawyer?

Easy English fact sheet

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This fact sheet can help you get ready for going to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) about a supervised treatment order.

### What does a lawyer do?

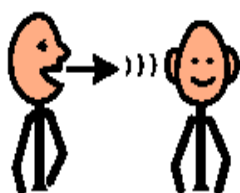


A lawyer is a qualified person who knows the law.

A lawyer can:

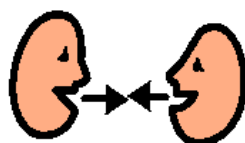
- help people understand the law
- help people look after their rights.

### What can a lawyer do for me?



A lawyer can:

- tell you more about supervised treatment orders
- explain what happens at VCAT
- help you get ready to go to VCAT
- help with other questions you might have.



## Can a lawyer go to VCAT with me?



Yes. The lawyer can tell VCAT:

- what you think about the supervised treatment order
- what you want to happen with it.

## Am I allowed to ask a lawyer for help?



Yes. This is your right.

## Does it cost money to talk with a lawyer?



It is free to talk on the phone with lawyers from:

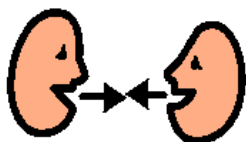
- Victoria Legal Aid or
- Villamanta Disability Rights Legal Service Inc.



It might cost money if:

- you need to meet a lot with the lawyer and
- you can afford to pay.

## When should I talk with a lawyer?



Talk to a lawyer if you find out a worker wants VCAT to:

- put you on a supervised treatment order
- make your supervised treatment order longer or
- change your treatment plan.



Talk to a lawyer if you want to change your treatment plan.

Make sure you talk to a lawyer before you go to VCAT.

## How do I get in contact with a lawyer?



Do you already have a lawyer from:

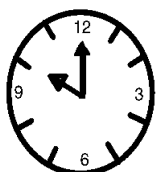
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You can call them.



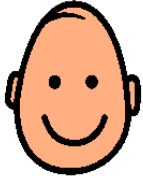
If you do not have a lawyer call:

- Victoria Legal Aid on **1300 792 387** or
- Villamanta Disability Rights Legal Service Inc on **1800 014 111**.



Call Monday to Friday between 9 am and 5 pm.

## Will the lawyer talk to me straight away?



The lawyer might be busy.

Do not worry. They will call you back soon.

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