

## What is a Form 2?

People who are experiencing mental health/addiction problems may not seek treatment believing: there is not a problem, they can address it themselves, or they have concerns about the stigma of mental health/addictions.

The Mental Health Act provides ways for the assessment/treatment of individuals without their consent, based on whether the person is:

- a danger to themselves, or to others, and/or;
- is not able to adequately care for themselves.

If you are a concerned friend or family member you can request a Form 2 from a Justice of the Peace. The Form 2 is a document signed by a Justice of the Peace that allows the rights of a person to be temporarily suspended so they can be taken to a hospital by the police for an urgent mental health assessment by a physician.

- A Form 2 is valid for 7 days, including the day it is issued. If the person cannot be located by police within the designated 7 days, the Form 2 becomes null and void.
- A Form 2 must be obtained in the Region where it needs to be executed. For example; If the person at risk lives in Halton, the Form 2 must be sought/obtained in Halton, but, if the person at risk lives in Peel, the Form 2 must be sought/obtained in Peel.
- A Form 2 is an intrusive measure and should be considered an option of last resort.

## How do I (“The Applicant”) get a Form 2 in Halton Region?

Anyone can bring evidence to the Justice of the Peace (i.e. Family member; friend; colleague; or any concerned citizen).

Note: It is important that the person applying for a Form 2 has direct knowledge of what the concern is.

The discussion between the Applicant and the Justice of the Peace is recorded for testimonial purposes.

The applicant must attend the Court House located at 491 Steeles Ave E, Milton, ON between 8:30am – 4:30pm, Monday to Friday. Justice of the Peace is seen on a “first come, first served” basis.

It is beneficial to call in advance to see if the Justice of the Peace is available (905-878-4165, option 3 for Ontario Court of Justice, and then option 3 for Justice of the Peace).

Prepare a point form letter outlining; current concerns; current risks; and relevant past information. Place the point form information into the following categories.

1. Potential danger to self
2. Potential danger to others
3. Lack of self-care.

For more information contact:

**Halton Regional Police Service**  
905-825-4777

# Form 2 Procedures



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# Form 2 Process

