

## Assessment of capacity form

Assessment of capacity for proposed dental treatment/decision.

Name:	DOB:
Address:	
Postcode:	Tel No:
GP Name:	Practice: Tel No:
Next of Kin:	
Contact Details::	

### Summary of proposed treatment plan/decision to be made

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**Is the proposed treatment plan/decision unusual?**

Yes  No  Don't know

If yes, state why

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Does the patient have a condition/impairment which may affect their capacity to consent to dental treatment?

Yes  No  Don't know

If yes, record reason for impaired capacity (e.g. learning disability, dementia, brain injury, stroke etc).

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Is the impaired capacity likely to be temporary or permanent?

Temporary\*  Permanent  Don't know

\* If temporary, defer non-urgent treatment until capacity returns if possible

### Assessment of capacity

Can the patient understand the information given to them about their treatment?

Yes  No  Don't know

Can the patient retain that information long enough to be able to make the decision?

Yes  No  Don't know

Can the patient weigh up the information available to make the decision?

Yes  No  Don't know

Can the patient communicate their decision (whether by talking, sign language or any other means)?

Yes  No  Don't know

Was consultation with other professionals required to assess capacity?

Yes  No

If yes, record name and status

Does the patient have mental capacity?

Yes  No  Don't know

**Best interest check list if th patient lacks capacity**

What methods have been used to involve the person who lacks capacity in making the decision?

Has the patient's past or present wishes, feelings and beliefs been taken into consideration?

Yes  No  Don't know

Have others been consulted regarding the treatment/decision?

Yes  No  Don't know

Names and relationship to patient who can act in service user's best interest contacted?

Does the patient have an appointed Power of Attorney or Court of Protection appointed deputy?

Yes  No  Don't know

If yes, record any name and date contacted?

Are you aware of any advanced directives regarding dental/personal care?

Yes  No  Don't know

If the patient does not have any personal or legal advocates, do you need to involve the Independent Mental Capacity Advocate (IMCA)

Yes  No  Don't know

If yes provide name of IMCA .....

Date consulted .....

Outcome of consultation .....

Signature: .....	Designation: .....
Name: .....	Date: .....