

Mental Health: Law and Practice provides a comprehensive, authoritative, and practical guide to the operation of mental health law in the UK. This second edition builds on the success of the previous edition and includes the latest developments, such as the changes to the UK's Mental Health Tribunal, brought about by Tribunals Courts and Enforcement Act 2007, the MHA Code of Practice (2008), and an introduction to the Deprivation of Liberty provisions and the accompanying Code. Contents include: an overview of the UK's Mental Health Act 2007 * 'mental disorder' and the availability of appropriate treatment * statutory powers and responsibilities: the powers and duties of mental health staff * relatives, independent mental health advocates, and hospital managers * powers of detention under the Mental Health Act 1983 and the Mental Capacity Act 2005 * detention of mentally disordered offenders * compulsory powers in the community * discharge and review of the lawfulness of detention by Mental Health Review Tribunals and the courts * consent to treatment for mental disorder * children * criminal offenses and transfer of patients between jurisdictions.