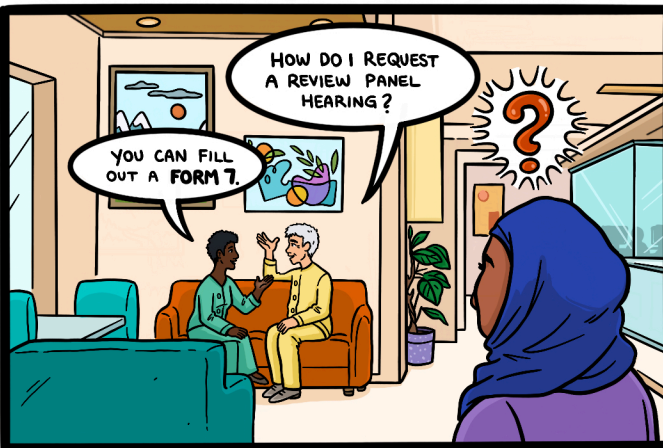
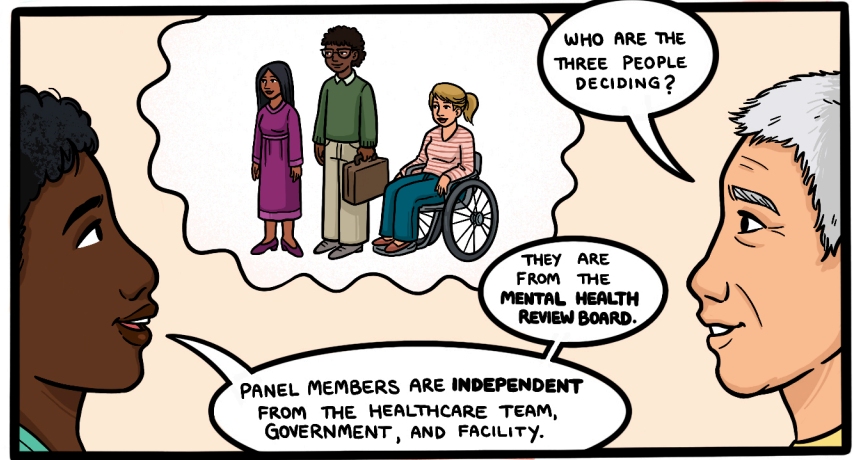
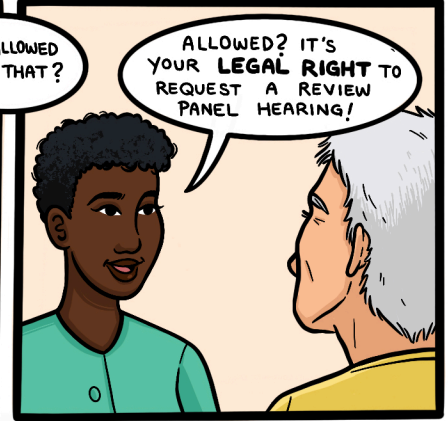
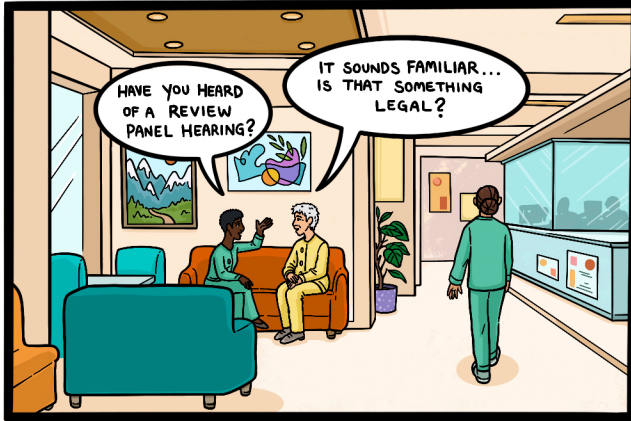


What is a Review Panel Hearing?

Involuntary patients under BC's Mental Health Act have the right to apply for a Review Panel Hearing



ON THE FORM 7, YOU CAN SELECT WHO YOU WANT TO REPRESENT YOU AT A HEARING.

patient personal health number (PHN) _____

Patient's Right to Legal Representation

As the patient you may choose to:

- Attend the Review Panel Hearing without a representative;
- Ask a family member, friend or near relative to represent you;
- Hire a lawyer in private practice to represent you; or
- Request free legal representation from the Mental Health Law Program (MHLP).
If you choose this option, the Mental Health Review Board will submit your request directly to the MHLP, who will contact you to discuss the availability of an advocate at your hearing. If the MHLP is able to represent you, you understand that you consent to the release of your health records to the MHLP. For further information, please contact MHLP at 604-685-3425 or toll free 1-888-685-6222.

A LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE MENTAL HEALTH LAW PROGRAM CAN HELP YOU PREPARE AND MAKE THE CASE CHALLENGING YOUR INVOLUNTARY STATUS BY PROVIDING EVIDENCE AND ARGUMENTS AT THE HEARING.

THEIR SERVICE IS FREE AND CONFIDENTIAL.

