# Applying to SACAT



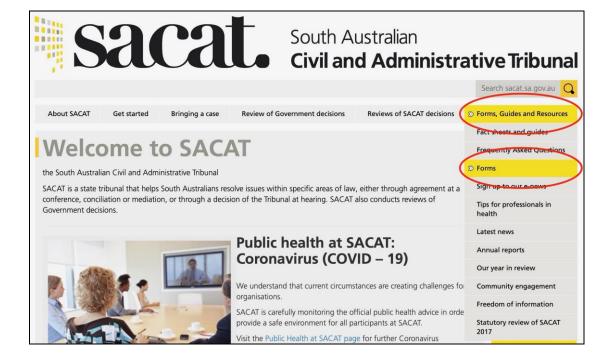
The South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (SACAT) helps South Australians resolve issues within specific areas of law, including the area of Guardianship and Administration.

#### You can make an application to SACAT if:

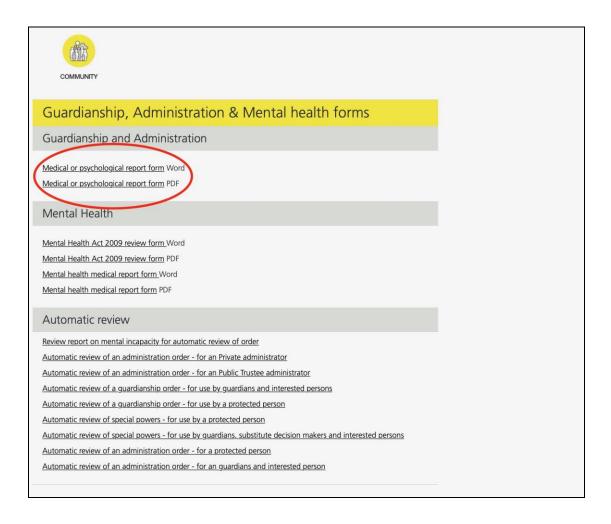
- You have medical evidence that the person concerned has impaired decision-making capacity, and
- There is a decision that needs to be made now, and
  - o There is no Advance Care Directive or Power of Attorney in place.
  - There is no one to help informally (family or friends).
  - o There is no 'Person Responsible' to make health care decisions.
  - o Informal support/arrangements are not working.
  - The person does not agree with the informal decisions being made.
  - o There is conflict about decisions or decision-makers.

## How to apply:

- 1. Go to the SACAT website: www.sacat.sa.gov.au
- 2. Download the 'Medical or Psychological Report' form and have the person's doctor complete it. This tells SACAT about the person's decision-making capacity. It can be completed by the person's GP or another health professional, such as a psychologist.



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**3.** Once the medical report is complete, you can start the online Application Form for the appropriate order.



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- **4.** You may apply for a Guardianship Order, an Administration Order, a Special Powers Order (Section 32), the Revocation of a Substitute Decision Maker, or the Revocation of an Advance Care Directive (See relevant Fact Sheets).
- **5.** If you don't have access to a computer, or have difficulties navigating the SACAT website, you can call SACAT for assistance, or to make the application over the phone: **1800 723 767**.

## Once your application is submitted:

- An email will be forwarded to you with the tracking/lodgement number of your application.
- SACAT will process the application form and list the matter for a hearing.
- You and any other Interested Parties will receive an email or letter to inform you of the day and time of the hearing.

#### How long will this take?

- This process generally takes approximately 4-6 weeks.
- If there is serious risk to the person or to others, you can request that SACAT hear the matter urgently, but this is at their discretion.
- It may be helpful to contact SACAT directly to discuss the urgency of your application, once it is submitted.