

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF _____ COUNTY, TENNESSEE

IN THE MATTER OF:

A child under eighteen years of age

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Docket Number: _____

Charge(s): _____

Felony/Misdemeanor Charge (s) and Tennessee Code
Citation (s):

**ORDER FOR INPATIENT EVALUATION OF A CHILD
UNDER T.C.A. § 37-1-128(e)(1)
AND NON-CUSTODIAL SOCIAL SERVICES AND RESOURCES ASSESSMENT BY
THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

This cause was heard on the ____ day of _____, 20____. It appeared to the Court that an outpatient evaluation conducted by _____ (CMHA) pursuant to T.C.A. § 37-1-128 (e)(1) was done and the outpatient evaluator concluded that the child be referred to _____ Mental Health Institute for further evaluation and treatment for a maximum of thirty (30) days:

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The child be placed into the custody of the commissioner of the Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities at the expense of the county where this order originated, to undergo evaluation and treatment at a mental health facility designated by the Commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities for up to thirty (30) days from the date of admission.
2. The Youth Services Officer (YSO) notify the admissions office of the designated mental health facility of this Court's Order and the sheriff or other transportation agent shall determine that the receiving department facility has available suitable accommodations before transporting the child. Once the sheriff or transportation agent determines that the receiving facility has available suitable accommodations he/she shall transport the child together with a certified copy of this Order, to the treating facility on the date set by the facility for admission.
3. The staff of the mental health facility, upon completion of the evaluation and not later than thirty (30) days from the date of admission, file a report with the Court which shall include the following:
 - a. Whether the child has a mental illness;
 - b. Whether the child is subject to voluntary admission or involuntary commitment;
 - c. The type of care, training and treatment required to address any mental illness;

- d. Any resources available to provide such services including but not limited to those provided by DCS;
- e. Specific forensic issues:

- f. Other issues:

- 4. The Department of Children's Services' representative shall facilitate gathering information necessary for a thorough assessment.
- 5. The mental health facility and DCS shall share any information or data on the child without a consent for release of information, including any information or data obtained from sources other than those referenced in this order. DCS shall share with the mental health facility the non-custodial social services and resources assessment within fifteen (15) days of the entry of this order. The mental health facility and DCS are authorized to provide such information to any other provider recommended to the Court as necessary for additional services to the child.
- 6. The Department of Children's Services shall immediately proceed with a non-custodial assessment to determine the need for TennCare benefits and services provided by or accessed through the Department and shall report its findings to the Court and the mental health facility within 30 days from date of this order. DCS or the provider shall urge the parent, legal guardian, or legal custodian to apply for TennCare benefits on behalf of the child. The representative of the Department of Children's Services shall meet with the family of the child as soon as possible to assist in the application for TennCare benefits. In the event the parent, legal guardian, or legal custodian refuses or is in any way unavailable to apply for TennCare benefits, DCS is authorized by this court order to apply for TennCare benefits on behalf of the child.
- 7. The mental health facility shall request services from TennCare, private insurance carrier or other potential payer as soon as possible after determination of any further treatment, care, training, or other services recommended to the Court.
- 8. When the mental health facility notifies the Court that the evaluation is complete, it shall also notify the sheriff who upon notification shall return the child to the court as soon as practicable thereafter.

ENTERED this ____ day of _____, 20____.

JUDGE

Approved for Entry:

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