NSW MINISTRY OF HEALTH
Mental Health Act 2007

Sections 78 and 103

Dear

Notification to Designated Carer or Principal Care Provider
in respect of proposed Special Medical Treatment

It is my opinion as an authorised medical officer of .................................................................
[name of mental health facility]

that it is necessary to prevent serious damage to the health of .................................................................
[patient’s full name]

who is involuntarily detained in the mental health facility in accordance with the Mental Health Act
2007, to undergo special medical treatment for

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[lay description of condition]

This treatment is called ..................................................................................................................
[medical name of treatment, procedure, operation or examination ]

In the Mental Health Act 2007, “special medical treatment” means –

“(a) any treatment, procedure, operation or examination that is intended, or is
reasonably likely, to have the effect of rendering permanently infertile the
person on whom it is carried out, or

(b) any other kind of treatment declared by the regulations to be special medical
treatment for the purposes of this Part.”

An application will be made to the Mental Health Review Tribunal for consent to the
treatment. The Tribunal will hold a hearing to consider the application and you may attend
if you wish.

If you wish to discuss this matter further please contact .................................................................
[name]

on .................................................................
[telephone]

Yours faithfully

Print name ___________________________ Designation ___________________________

Signature ___________________________ Date _____ / _____ / _____