

SSDTA Eligibility and process

The SSDTA provides people with severe substance dependence, a brief period of detention and treatment in a treatment centre. The Act only applies to people with the most severe substance dependence who are deemed incapable of making sound decisions about their substance use, personal health, welfare and safety; primarily due to their substance dependence.

Eligibility

- 1 The person has a severe substance dependence that impacts on their functioning
- 2 Immediate and urgent treatment is necessary to save the person's life
- 3 Treatment can only be provided through admission and detention in a centre
- 4 There is no less restrictive means reasonably available to ensure treatment uptake

Process

- 1 Email SSDTA@svha.org.au an enquiry form regarding why the person is eligible
- 2 If the enquiry progresses, complete an application form for magistrate court.
- 3 If the court application is successful, provide DoAM with relevant documents
- 4 The person is admitted to St. Vincent's and their eligibility is reviewed daily

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