Tribunal Procedure Committee

Consultation on possible amendments to the Tribunal Procedure (First-tier Tribunal) (Health, Education and Social Care Chamber) Rules 2008 regarding proposed changes to the way that the First-tier Tribunal decides cases referred to the Tribunal pursuant to S.68 Mental Health Act 1983

Questionnaire

We would welcome responses to the following questions set out in the consultation paper. Please return the completed questionnaire by **29 August 2023** to:

Email: tpcsecretariat@justice.gov.uk

Respondent name	
Organisation	

Question 1: Do you agree with the proposed change to rule 35? If not, why not?
<u>Comments:</u>
Question 2: Should there be some form of safeguarding in place in the event that rule 35 is changed? If so, what form should that take? Would the proposals in section 34 and Schedule 3 of the Mental Health Bill provide adequate safeguards? If not, why not?
<u>Comments:</u>
Question 3: Do you think the proposed rule change should go ahead if the timescale for references does not reduce from every 3 years to annually, as proposed by the Mental Health Bill?
<u>Comments:</u>
Question 4: Do you have any further comments?
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