

A 23 year old man presents alone to A&E department shouting that we have to contact “the famous people in London” because the Earth is in danger from an Alien invasion. If we don’t contact the famous people than he will have to kill his next door neighbour as he is directing the Alien fleet towards Earth. He is very difficult to control and says he has a gun at home with which he can kill the neighbour. He allows himself to be booked in but the contact numbers he supplies are unavailable or not answering and he is not previously known to the department. You decided that he needs to be kept in hospital under the mental health act. You try to contact the psychiatrist on call but she cannot answer you as it turns out that she is currently dealing with a violent patient on one of the wards in psychie home who is holding a nurse a hostage. Patient is becoming increasingly anxious and agitated threatening to run off any minute. Under which section of the act could you detain this patient “off your own back” in the department and what do you need to do for the patient to become “eligible”. How long can you keep the patient, who do you need to inform that you have done so? 3 points

You manage to calm the patient down and he agrees to wait for a little longer while you try get him some transport to London sorted. After telephone conversation with psychiatrist he says he is coming in because he thinks they need to section him and asks if you can assemble the relevant people. Who would you call and what section will he then be able to apply for? 2 points
What are the 4 categories of mental disorder?- 4 points
What is the legal definition of Mental Illness? 1 point