



SCHEDULE TO S.56C ORDER

PUBLIC STATEMENT

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I, Steve Tully, Health and Community Services Complaints Commissioner (HCSCC) hereby publish a public statement pursuant to s.56C of the *Health and Community Services Complaints Act 2004 (the Act)* in relation to **Robert Frank Mittiga**.

1. Between 30 August 2013 and 28 July 2014 I conducted an investigation into the provision of addiction counselling and rehabilitation services by Robert Frank Mittiga under the business name of GATS or Gambling and Addiction Treatment Services.
2. As a result of that investigation, I found that Robert Frank Mittiga had at times failed to provide addiction counselling and rehabilitation services in a safe and ethical manner.
3. Robert Frank Mittiga consequently agreed to provide counselling or rehabilitation services under the following conditions by Order made pursuant to s.56C of the Act that any counselling or rehabilitation service be provided by him as an employee under professional supervision until further order.
4. Between 17 July 2015 and 6 November 2015, I conducted a further investigation into the provision of addiction counselling and rehabilitation services by Robert Frank Mittiga.
5. As a result of that investigation, I found that Robert Frank Mittiga again failed to provide addiction counselling and rehabilitation services in a safe and ethical manner.
6. On 6 November 2015 I revoked the Order made on 16 September 2015 and made a new Order pursuant to s.56C of the Act that:
 - **Robert Frank Mittiga is prohibited from providing health services in South Australia until further order.**
7. Breach of the Order is an offence against the Act, with a maximum penalty of imprisonment of 2 years, or a fine of \$10,000, or both.

If you have any concerns regarding Robert Frank Mittiga or any matter arising out of this Public Statement, please contact the HCSCC:

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Steve Tully
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24 November 2015