



Bwrdd Partneriaeth
Rhanbarthol Gwent
Gwent Regional
Partnership Board

Our Plan for Advocacy



Have your voice heard

Inclusion

Advocate



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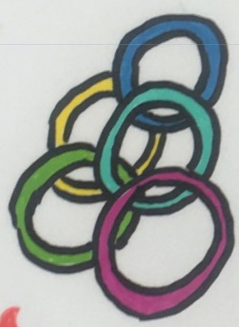


Support



What is Advocacy

Peer Advocacy



Listening

Formal Advocacy

Informal Advocacy



Non Statutory Advocacy

Citizen Advocacy

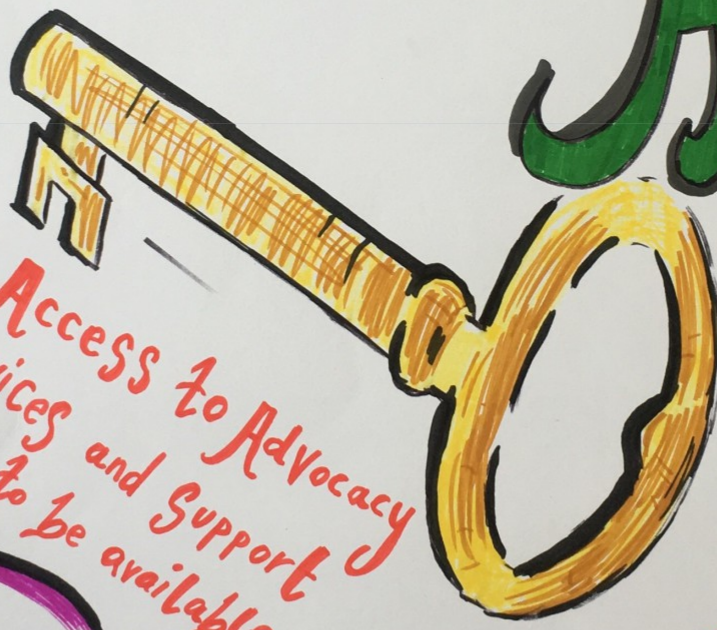


Independent Professional Advocacy

Clarifying options

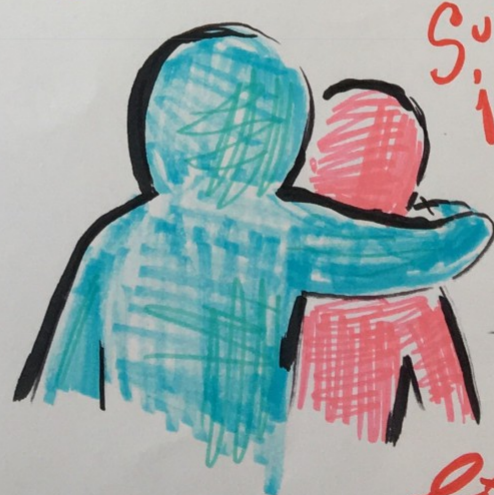


What does The Law Say About Advocacy?

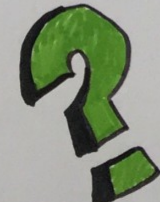
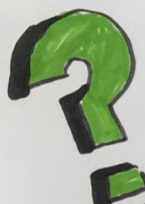
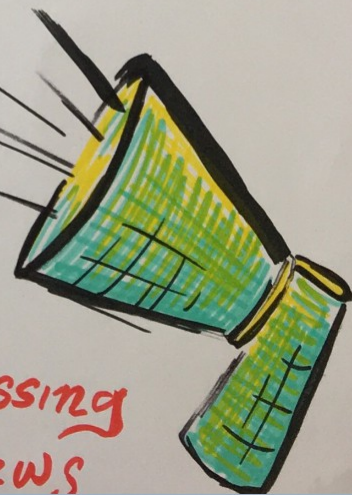


Access to Advocacy
Services and Support
Needs to be available

Supporting
individuals



Expressing
Views



Independent Professional Advocacy



One to One



Identify Barriers

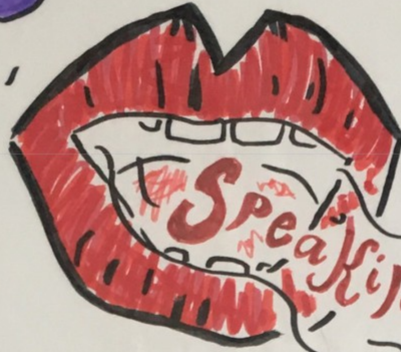


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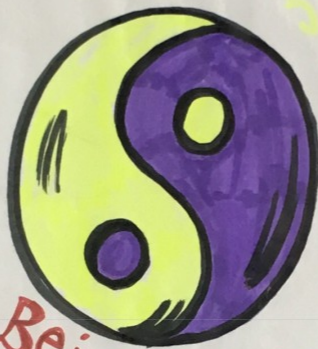
professional Advocate who is Trained and Paid

Self Advocacy is...

Sticking
Up for Our
Rights



Speaking up for
yourself

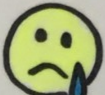


Being Treated with Respect

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Making your Own Choices
Having the Right
to take Risks
and Have a go



Being a
person
Not a
Label



Being treated as an
Equal

Self Advocacy is **HARD** if you Have a Learning Disability Because . . .

of Not Having the Words



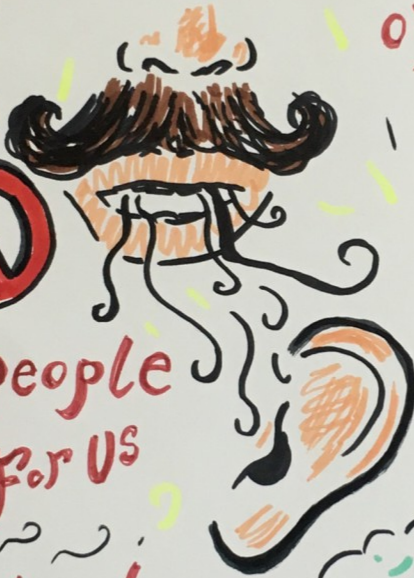
of Being Ignored



of Feeling as if you don't matter



or other people Speaking for us



of professionals using Jargon



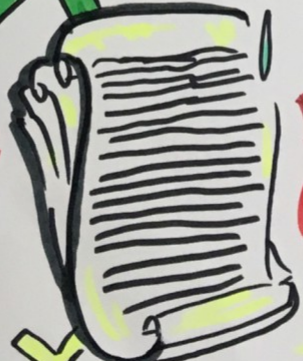
Being treated like children instead of Adults

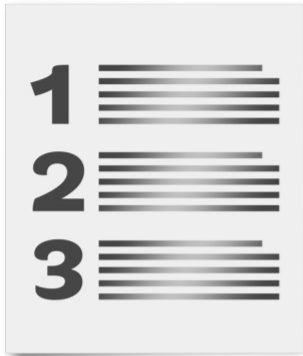


of Worrying about what will happen



Not Having Clear Information





WHAT DO WE INTEND
TO DO?



We will work with partners to co-produce an approach to advocacy commissioning which meets and, where possible, exceeds the requirements set out in the Part 10 Code of Practice.



We recognise the importance of equality of access to advocacy for all Gwent and have agreed to adopt some common principles for the future of advocacy commissioning.



We will build on the strengths and professionalism of current advocacy provision.



We think that there will be more people asking for advocacy when we tell them about what we are doing.



To meet increasing demand for advocacy, we will work with partners to develop ways to meet people's needs.



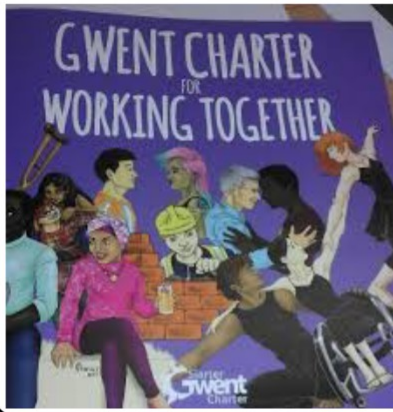
We will work closely with third sector organisations that support people with learning disabilities.



Cefnogi Trydydd
Sector **Cymru**

Third Sector
Support **Wales**

We will value the role of peer and citizen advocacy groups in supporting people with learning disabilities to speak up for their rights.



We will encourage organisations which sign up to the Gwent Charter to report on the steps they have taken to implement it in practice.



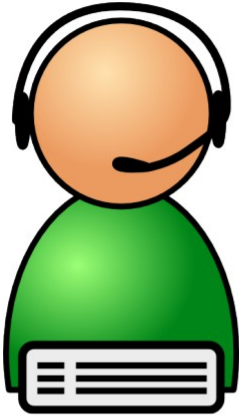
We will review the current monitoring and evaluation methods to make sure that they are fit for purpose.



We will make sure that people have equality of access to advocacy, regardless of their location, health condition, impairments or other characteristics.



We will design a service that meets the needs for both generic and specialist forms of advocacy.



We will put in place a telephone helpline that people can call for advocacy help and support.



The helpline will signpost people to the right advocacy support.



The helpline will monitor gaps in advocacy and we will consider this when we commission new services.



We will tell people about the different types of advocacy and how it can help people.



We will make sure that advocacy is available for parents of children involved in Court of Protection proceedings.



GIG
CYMRU
NHS
WALES

We will raise the profile of advocacy in the NHS.



We will continue to work with others to develop advocacy services.



THANK YOU!

Thank you to
everyone who has
helped us to put this
plan together

Working in Partnership



GIG
CYMRU
NHS
WALES

Bwrdd Iechyd
Aneurin Bevan
Health Board



Blaenau Gwent

County Borough Council



monmouthshire
COUNTY COUNCIL
sir fymwy



TORFAEN
COUNTY
BOROUGH



BWRDEISTREF
SIROL
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Newport
CITY COUNCIL
CYNGOR DINAS
Casnewydd



Torfaen Voluntary Alliance
Cynghair Gwirfoddol Torfaen

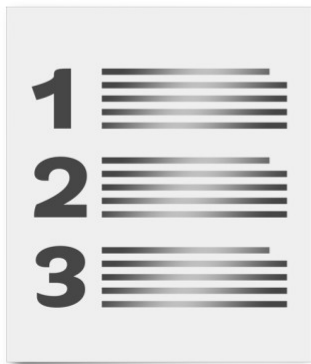
Actively supporting the contribution of
individuals, through voluntary action.
Charity Registration No: 1097079
Company No: 4603713



Gwent Association of Voluntary Organisations
Cymdeithas Mudiadau Gwirfoddol Gwent



Advocacy principles and outcomes.



The principles set out in the Advocacy Quality Performance Mark are summarised as follows:



Independence, allowing services to be led by and responsible to the client, and enabling self-advocacy when possible.



Understand

Clarity of purpose, ensuring that everyone understands what advocacy is, and is not.



Confidentiality, as the basis for establishing trusting relationships between advocates and their clients.

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Safeguarding, to ensure advocates are suitably knowledgeable and experienced in identifying safeguarding issues.



Empowerment, ensuring that advocacy services work in a way that encourages independence.



Equality, accessibility and diversity, requiring advocacy services to be proactive in ensuring easy and equitable access.



Accountability and complaints,
having clear, transparent and accessible processes in place, including support for complainants, and ensuring that feedback is acted upon.



Supporting advocates,
through adequate training and supervision to ensure high quality advocacy provision.