



Disability Advocacy

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Perth Health and Care Services



Easy English



Hard words

This book has some hard words.

The first time we write a hard word

• the word is in blue

• we write what the hard word means.

You can get help with this book



You can get someone to help you

read this book

know what this book is about



• find more information.





This book is from Perth Health and Care Services.



This book is about **disability advocacy**.



Disability advocacy means you get help from a trusted person to

• get your message across



• have your needs met

• understand information.

Who can be your advocate?

You can ask someone you trust to be your advocate.



You might ask

• a family member



a friend



a support worker



• an advocate from an advocacy organisation.



Advocacy organisations are groups of people who are experts at advocacy for people with disability.



There are many advocacy organisations that might help you.



Contact information is at the end of this book.

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What can your advocate do?



An advocate can help you take part in

phone calls



meetings.

An advocate can help you make a complaint.



A complaint means you say you are **not** happy with a service or product.



An advocate should

• do what is right for you



• think about your needs first



respect your rights



 respect the rights of other people involved in your complaint.



More information

For more information contact

Perth Health and Care Services.



Website <u>www.perthhealthcare.net.au</u>

The NDIS



Website <u>ndis.gov.au</u>



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Help to find an advocate in WA

Advocacy WA Bunbury 08 9721 6444

Catholic Archdiocese of Perth 08 6104 3600

Citizen Advocacy Perth West Inc Osborne Park 08 9445 9991

Kin Advocacy Centre Osborne Park 08 9388 7455

Midland Information Debt and Legal Advocacy 08 9250 2123

People with Disabilities West Perth 08 9420 7279

Sussex Street Community Law Service Inc East Victoria Park 08 6253 9500

UnitingCare West Victoria Park 1300 663 298

Welfare Rights & Advocacy Service Perth 08 9328 1751



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Use the National Relay Service and give the officer the phone number you want to call.

nrschat.nrscall.gov.au/nrs/internetrelay



Call 1800 555 727

If you need help to speak or understand English

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Call 131 450

Ask the TIS to call the number you want to call.

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