

# Circles Network

We support adults with mental health differences, through the provision of independent, individual, collective and citizen advocacy

- ★ Acting in a safeguarding capacity for people's rights where issues of incapacity or communication difficulties arise
- ★ Helping you to access your legal rights
- ★ Being with you at tribunals, court cases, meetings and related appointments
- ★ Getting facts on medication and procedures

Circles Network is a registered charitable organisation in Scotland providing advocacy in Glasgow and Edinburgh and now funded by Fife Council to provide a range of advocacy support within the Kingdom of Fife

**Circles Network Fife is completely independent of all NHS and Social Work Departments and is guided by Advocacy Principles and Standards**

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## Advocacy in Fife



Helping people with mental health differences, including dementia, to speak up **individually and collectively**

Advocates can provide you with information on your rights and on any processes or issues of concern to you

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# Professional issue-based advocacy which is independent of the National Health Service and Fife Council

**Listen**



being heard without being judged

**Support**



helping you over the hurdles without standing back

**Negotiate**



involving you in decisions about you

**Represent**



ensuring your point of view is clearly known

**Inform**



knowing your options and sources of help

**Encourage**



helping you without taking over

**Taking up your rights under current legislation to address matters such as named persons, advance statements, appeals to tribunals and personal statements**