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ADVOCACY

Forensic Independent Advocacy

Circles Advocacy - Glasgow

*Helping you have a voice in your care and treatment.
We provide you with the information and support you need
to make an informed choice.*

Your Life | Your Care | Your Choice

Do you need help speaking up?

Would it help you to have an independent person explain things to you or to speak up for you?

Circles Advocacy can help you with:

- Understanding your rights.
- Advance Statements.
- Named Persons.
- Financial Concerns.
- Family Concerns.
- Completing forms.
- Understanding clinical roles.

We can go to these formal meetings with you:

- Care Plan Approach.
- Tribunals.
- Lawyer meetings.
- Court hearings and others.

You can ask your advocate to attend other meetings relevant to your care.



What can I talk to my Advocate about?

You can speak to your advocate about anything that is affecting you.

- Doctors and nurses.
- Lawyers.
- Family and friends.
- Care plan.
- Community psychiatric nurses.
- Support and social workers.

We are a confidential service.

An advocate will talk to you about our confidentiality policy.

Advocacy can:

Encourage and help - without taking over.

Support - without standing back.

Provide information - so you can make an informed choice

Negotiate - to try and reach the outcome you want.

Represent - your point of view.

This service covers:

- Rowanbank Clinic.
- Leverndale Hospital (forensic wards).
- Community placement (for the first 3 months after discharge).

**Access to independent
advocacy is your legal right**

How do I contact my Advocate?

Your Advocate will visit the ward every week for a drop in. You can come along to discuss anything in relation to your care and treatment. We also run ward council meetings where you can discuss collective issues.

If you need to see an Advocate for a particular issue, call:
01412 326406

My Advocate is:

My first ward drop in will be

date: time:

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Circles Network Advocacy is independent of all NHS and Social Work Services and acts according to Advocacy Principles and Standards.

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