



ADVOCACY AND SUPPORT

Information for People

People with disability have the right to an **ADVOCATE**



DO YOU NEED HELP BEING HEARD?

An advocate is someone who will help you to:

- Be **HEARD**
- Understand your individual, citizen, human and legal **RIGHTS**
- **ACCESS** a service
- **PLAN** your needs
- Make **DECISIONS** and **CHOICES**
- Lodge a **COMPLAINT** or an **APPEAL**

You may wish to ask a family member, friend or someone you know to be your advocate **OR**

You can also ask other organisations to advocate for you or to help you make a complaint.

INDEPENDENT ADVOCACY ORGANISATIONS

DISABILITY ADVOCACY NETWORK

DANA can refer to appropriate local Advocates.

Website: www.dana.org.au

Telephone: 02 6175 1300

NSW COUNCIL FOR INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY

Website: www.nswcid.org.au

Telephone: 02 9211 1611

PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY AUSTRALIA

Website: www.pwd.org.au

NDIS Quality & Safeguards Commission

Website: www.ndis.commission.gov.au

Telephone: 1800 035 544

NSW OMBUDSMAN

Website: www.ombo.nsw.gov.au

Telephone: 1 800 451 524