

Advocacy Services in Merthyr Tydfil

Option 1

Older People and carers

Age Cymru HOPE project
Support for older people (50+) and carers
029 2043 1555
advocacy@agecymru.org.uk

Dementia

Age Cymru Dementia Advocacy
Support for anyone with dementia, whether they have capacity or can communicate or not.
029 2043 1555
dementiaadvocacy@agecymru.org.uk

Mental Health

Merthyr and the Valleys Mind
01685 707480
Angela.Griffiths@matvmind.org.uk

Self Advocacy

Cwm Taf People First
Supporting individuals to represent and speak up for themselves.
01443 757954
info@cwmtafpeoplefirst.org.uk

Children

TGP Cymru
Independent professional advocacy for children/young people who are on the CP register, LAC, CIN or Care Leavers
0800 4703930
cwmtafmorgannwg@tGPCymru.org.uk

Deaf People

British Deaf Association
Support for Cultural Deaf whose first language is BSL (British Sign Language)
07766 600597
cao.wales@bda.org.uk

In addition to the services above, the MCA, MHA and SSWB Acts set out statutory rights to advocacy. If they apply, you may also choose from the services below.

Option 2

IMHA

Are they sectioned under the mental health act, under guardianship or subject to a community treatment order or in hospital informally receiving treatment for their mental health?

If so, they have a legal right to an **IMHA (Independent Mental Health Advocate)**

ASC Advocacy Support Cymru
029 2054 0444
info@ascymru.org.uk

IMCA

Do they lack capacity and have no appropriate family / friends to consult?

If not, are they facing serious medical treatment, a safeguarding concern or DoLS? Or does their RPR need support in their role?

If so, they have a legal right to an **IMCA (Independent Mental Capacity Advocate)**

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IPA

Do they have social care needs?

If so, do they want support with care and support planning, assessment, review, or safeguarding ?

If so they have a statutory right to an **IPA. (Independent Professional Advocate)**

Not yet commissioned in Merthyr Tydfil

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RPR

Are they subject to a DoLS?

If they do not have someone to represent them, they have a statutory right to an **RPR** Relevant Person's Representative.

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Cwm Taf Morgannwg Llais

Support for people who have a concern about any NHS or Social Care treatment they have received whether in the community or a hospital setting.

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