

Advocacy Services in Vale of Glamorgan

Option 1

Older People

**Age Cymru HOPE project**

Support for older people (50+) and carers

**029 2043 1555**

[advocacy@agecymru.org.uk](mailto:advocacy@agecymru.org.uk)

**Age Connects Cardiff and the Vale**

Residential Care Advocacy, Community Advocacy and Hospital Advocacy

**029 2068 3683**

Mental Health

**Advocacy Support Cymru**

Supporting for individuals in receipt of Secondary Mental Health Services

**02920 540444**

[info@](mailto:info@ascymru.org.uk)

[ascymru.org.uk](mailto:ascymru.org.uk)

Self advocacy

**Vale People First**

Supporting individuals to represent and speak up for themselves.

**01446 732926**

Learning Disability and/or Autism

**Advocacy Matters (Wales)**

**02920 233733**

**Advocacy Support Cymru**

**02920 540444**

[info@](mailto:info@ascymru.org.uk)

[ascymru.org.uk](mailto:ascymru.org.uk)

Support for individuals with a learning disability and/or Autism

Physical Disabilities

**Diverse Cymru**

Parents of children in court proceedings. Supporting disabled users of Adult Social Services

**02920 368888**

Children

**NYAS**

Independent professional advocacy for any child or young person under 25.

**0808 808 1001**

[help@nyas.net](mailto:help@nyas.net)

Deaf People

**British Deaf Association**

Support for Cultural Deaf whose first language is BSL (British Sign Language)

**07766 600597**

[cao.wales@bda.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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)

Single point of contact for referrals:

Cardiff and Vale Advocacy Gateway Referring to Age Connect Cardiff and Vale, Advocacy Matters (Wales), Vale People First and Diverse Cymru

**0808 8010577**

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.

Training in Mind

**01495 768844**

[advocacy@traininginmind.co.uk](mailto:advocacy@traininginmind.co.uk)

Cardiff and The Vale Liais

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.

**02920 750112** [cardiffandvaleenquiries@llaascymru.org](mailto:cardiffandvaleenquiries@llaascymru.org)