

## Advocacy Services in Blaenau Gwent

|                 | Older People and carers  | Dementia  | Mental Health  | Self advocacy  | Care Home   | Learning Disability and/or Autism  | Children   | Parents   |
|-----------------|--|---|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| <b>Option 1</b> | <p><b>Age Cymru HOPE project</b><br/>Support for older people (50+) and carers<br/><b>029 2043 1555</b><br/><a href="mailto:advocacy@agecymru.org.uk">advocacy@agecymru.org.uk</a></p> | <p><b>Age Cymru Dementia Advocacy</b><br/>Support for anyone with dementia, whether they have capacity or can communicate or not.<br/><b>029 2043 1555</b><br/><a href="mailto:dementiaadvocacy@agecymru.org.uk">dementiaadvocacy@agecymru.org.uk</a></p> | <p><b>DEWIS CIL</b><br/>Supporting people already known to mental health services<br/><b>01633 288440</b><br/><a href="mailto:advocacy@dewiscil.org.uk">advocacy@dewiscil.org.uk</a></p> | <p><b>Cwm Taf People First</b><br/>Supporting individuals to represent and speak up for themselves.<br/><b>01443 757954</b><br/><a href="mailto:info@cwmtafpeoplefirst.org.uk">info@cwmtafpeoplefirst.org.uk</a></p> | <p><b>Age Cymru Gwent</b><br/>Support for people in care homes or thinking about living in a care home<br/><b>01495 320238</b><br/><a href="mailto:acgadvocacy@agecymrugwent.org">acgadvocacy@agecymrugwent.org</a></p> | <p><b>Advocacy Support Cymru</b><br/>Support for individuals with a learning disability and/or Autism<br/><b>02920 540444</b><br/><a href="mailto:info@ascymru.org.uk">info@ascymru.org.uk</a></p> | <p><b>NYAS</b> - Independent professional advocacy for CYP who are on the CP register, LAC, CIN or Care Leavers<br/><b>0808 808 1001</b> <a href="mailto:help@nyas.net">help@nyas.net</a><br/><b>NYAS / ABHB Health Advocacy Service</b><br/>provides advocacy to CYP under 18 who wish to raise a concern about the Health Care / Service that they have received from the Aneurin Bevan Health Board</p> | <p><b>NYAS</b><br/>Independent professional advocacy for parents who have child/children under 18 years in the child protection arena.<br/><b>0808 808 1001</b></p> |

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.

|                 | IMHA  | IMCA   | IPA  | RPR   |
|-----------------|---|--|--|---|
| <b>Option 2</b> | <p><b>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?</b></p> <p>If so, they have a legal right to an <b>IMHA (Independent Mental Health Advocate)</b></p> <p><b>ASC Advocacy Support Cymru</b><br/><b>029 2054 0444</b><br/><a href="mailto:info@ascymru.org.uk">info@ascymru.org.uk</a></p> | <p><b>Do they lack capacity and have no appropriate family / friends to consult?</b></p> <p>If not, are they facing serious medical treatment, a safeguarding concern or DoLS? Or does their RPR need support in their role?</p> <p>If so, they have a legal right to an <b>IMCA (Independent Mental Capacity Advocate)</b></p> <p><b>ASC Advocacy Support Cymru</b><br/><b>029 2054 0444</b><br/><a href="mailto:info@ascymru.org.uk">info@ascymru.org.uk</a></p> | <p><b>Do they have social care needs?</b><br/>If so, do they want support with care and support planning, assessment, review, or safeguarding ?</p> <p>If so they have a statutory right to an <b>IPA. (Independent Professional Advocate)</b></p> <p><b>Single point of contact for referrals:</b></p> <p><b>GATA Gwent Access to Advocacy</b><br/>Referring to Dewis CIL and Age Cymru Gwent<br/><b>0808 8010566</b></p> | <p><b>Are they subject to a DoLS?</b></p> <p>If they do not have someone to represent them, they have a statutory right to an <b>RPR</b> Relevant Person's Representative.</p> <p><b>Training in Mind</b></p> <p><b>01495 768844</b><br/><a href="mailto:advocacy@traininginmind.co.uk">advocacy@traininginmind.co.uk</a></p> |

### Gwent 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.

**01633 838516** [gwentenquiries@llaiscymru.org](mailto:gwentenquiries@llaiscymru.org)