

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](mailto: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](mailto:dementiaadvocacy@agecymru.org.uk)

Mental Health

Merthyr and the Valleys Mind

**01685 707480**  
[Angela.Griffiths@matvmind.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto:info@cwmtafpeoplefirst.org.uk)

Children, Young People Parental Advocacy

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](mailto:cwmtafmorgannwg@tgpcymru.org.uk)  
 Independent professional advocacy for parents who have child/children under 18 years in the child protection arena.  
[parentadvocacy@tgpcymru.org.uk](mailto:parentadvocacy@tgpcymru.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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**029 2054 0444**  
[info@ascymru.org.uk](mailto:info@ascymru.org.uk)

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

Spot purchasing from Dewsi CIL

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.

**01443 405830** [ctm@llaiscymru.org](mailto:ctm@llaiscymru.org)