

Advocacy Questionnaire

Are you a family carer of an adult with learning disabilities or of an autistic adult who is or has been an inpatient in a mental health, learning disability or autism specialist hospital?

In these hospitals, advocates work to ensure that people with learning disabilities and autistic people who are inpatients are listened to, understood, supported, treated fairly, and kept safe.

Family carers may take on the role of advocating for their relative, or another form of advocacy may be provided.

If you are a family carer whose relative is (or has been) in hospital we want to hear from you:

What are your experiences of advocacy?

How you have supported your relative to be listened to and understood

How you have or could have been supported to do this

Your ideas about how individuals in hospital are supported to be understood can be improved

What support and information would be helpful, both for your relative and for you as a family carer advocate?

You can do this by:



Completing a questionnaire about your experiences of advocacy in mental health hospitals. This questionnaire can be completed anonymously.



If you would like to take part, please complete the online questionnaire:

<https://bit.ly/AdvocQues>



or contact us at info@thecbf.org.uk



or call 01634 838739 for a paper copy.

We have been commissioned by NHS England for this work. With your input, we hope to be able to make advocacy more effective for adults with learning disabilities and autistic adults who are in mental health hospitals.