



Note to professionals

Parents with a learning disability tell us they need:

- Clear information in 'easy read' format with pictures if possible, and time to process it
- To understand who all the different professionals are in their lives, and why they are there
- To know all their options and the consequences of decisions they may make
- You to explain your concerns and reasons for your intervention
- To be treated as an individual as everyone is different

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Do you want to know more?

Get in touch with us today.



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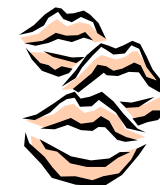
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Giving a Voice

Speakeasy Advocacy



Giving a voice and
support to parents with
a learning disability in
Basingstoke

What is Advocacy?



Listening to you



Supporting you to speak up and have your say



Supporting you to make your own choices and decisions



Supporting you with your rights as parents

Some things an advocate can help



Support you at meetings with Children's Services



Help you get support with anything that may be worrying you, like paying bills or housing



Support you at meetings with people like health visitors, teachers or your solicitor



Help you understand the information that is given to you by different professionals

Your advocate will



- Be on your side
- Keep everything you say private (unless someone is in danger)
- Meet you when and where is best for you
- Be a paid worker or volunteer who has experience of working with parents

Your advocate won't



- Judge you or tell you off
- Tell you what to do