

Your Gaddum Advocacy...

**Giving you a voice when you need
to be heard.**

Gaddum advocacy service is free
and confidential.

Gaddum advocacy amplifies your
voice so you can be heard. By
representing you as an individual,
we'll ensure your rights, and that
what matters most to you is
protected.

Registered charity no: 507162

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**Gaddum
... Advocacy**

**Hi. Gaddum
here.**

**Let's talk
Advocacy for
people with
Learning
Disabilities
and/or Autism**

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What is an Advocate?

Advocates work in partnership with the people they support and are on their side.

Advocates are independent from social services and the NHS and put your needs first.



About us

NHS England and NHS Improvement (NHSEI) have funded a pilot project to deliver advocacy for people with learning disabilities and/or autism in Manchester.

This is to ensure these individuals get fair access to specialist support whilst in inpatient settings and parents or carers have access to expert training.

Our aims:

- To build on our existing IMHA (Independent Mental Health Advocacy) Service to reach those individuals who require more specialist support and improve their experience.
- To increase the confidence and ability of carers and parent-carers to advocate for their peers.

All matters discussed with your advocate can be in a private space and is confidential - unless we feel that you are of risk of harm to yourself or others.

Our Services:

- Targeted support for inpatients in Manchester's general psychiatric wards* with a learning disability and/or autism.
- Peer advocacy training for carers and parent-carers of people with a learning disability and/or autism.

*Park House at North Manchester General Hospital and Laureate House at Wythenshawe Hospital.

We provide:

- A safe and confidential space for specialised 1-to-1 advocacy.
- Group advocacy sessions on-site.
- Online, phone, in-person and community setting consultations.
- A strength-based approaches to increase your confidence.
- Support in getting your voice heard.