

# HUMAN RIGHTS CHARTER

## National Advocacy Council



We have a right to have our rights respected



We have a right not to be discriminated against



We have a right to information about our rights so we can make our own informed choices and decisions and seek to have those rights vindicated



We have a right to make choices about our lives



We have a right to friendships and relationships of our choice, and for those relationships to be free from interference



We have a right to a home and to choose where we live and whom we live with



We have a right to be safe at home



We have a right to privacy in our own home



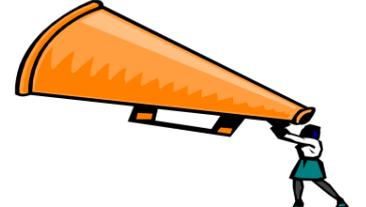
We have a right to live in and to contribute to our community and to be provided with the necessary supports to achieve this



We have a right not to be accommodated in an institution against our wishes except in accordance with the law



We have a right to say what we think as long as we respect other people



We have a right to speak out and complain if something is wrong



We have a right to be listened to



We have a right of access to the courts and to legal advice and representation



We have a right to a practical and effective remedy to our complaints



We have a right to get married and have children in accordance with Irish Law



We have a right to go out to places of our choice in the community to do the things we want to do



We have a right to get proper wages for the work we do



We have the right to decide what we spend our money on



We have a right to personal possessions and to enjoy them without interference from others



We have a right to support and training to learn new skills so as to grow and develop as independent adults



We have a right not to be locked in or stopped from going out



We have a right not to have our money or things taken away



We have a right to be protected from all forms of abuse and neglect



We have a right not to be punished except in accordance with the law



We have a right not to be shouted at, threatened or made afraid



We have a right to be free from people hurting us or calling us names



We want the right to have bedrooms of our own and to have the key to the door



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