



Advocacy



QQI Level 3
Self-Advocacy
3N0553



This is a Plain English Course Information Book



Who can do this course?

This is a QQI Level 3 course.

This course will support you to learn about advocacy.

We can support you with communication, reading and writing.

We will use pictures, symbols and DVDs to help you learn.

Before you do this level 3 course, you should pass the level 2 course in My Choices.

It might also help to do a Level 2 course in Listening and Speaking or More than Words.

Before you apply for the course, check you understand and are happy with:

- The learning goals
- The assessment you will have to do
- The time the course will take.



How long will the course take?

This course will take at least 30 class hours.

You will do work in class and some work at home.

This course is worth 10 credits.

The trainer will tell you how many weeks the course will be on for.

The trainer will tell you how long each class will last.

Ask staff in your centre for more information.



What assessments will I have to do?

The assessment for this course is called a portfolio.

You keep all the work you do on the course in a folder.

This folder shows the information and skills you have learnt on the course.

Your work will be assessed at the end of the course.

This means your folder will be checked.

The people looking at your work decide it is good enough to pass or that you need to do some more work.

Your work will be assessed by:

- Your Trainer
- Another person from St. Michael's House
- A person from QQI



What will I learn on this course?

On this course you will:

- Learn what advocacy means
- Learn about the values of advocacy. Say which are important in your life
- Learn about minority groups and their rights
- Pick one minority group and find out about three support organisations for this group
- Learn about the Assisted Decision Making (Capacity) Act
- Put together an 'All about me' or a person-centred plan
- Learn about consent and how it is important in your life
- Think about the things that support you to communicate well. Think about what stops you from communicating well



What will I learn on this course?

On this course you will:

- Think of an advocacy issue that is important to you.
 Put together a plan to deal with this
- Look at how you use advocacy in your life. Think about what works well for you and the changes you would make in the future



Where is this course on?

This course will be on in centres in St. Michael's House.

It may also be on in different places in the community.

Ask staff in your centre for information.

You can also contact Teresa or Paula for information.

Ring Teresa on 01 299 0565

Email: teresa.gadd@smh.ie

Ring Paula on 01 862 2458

Email: paula.smytth@smh.ie



How do I get a place on this course?

Ask staff in your centre for an application form.

Fill in the form.

Send it to Teresa in Goatstown or send the form to Paula in Santry Hall.