Consent and Supported Decision Making

Your Choices Matter

You have the right to make your own choices and decisions. At Ability WA, we respect this right. What matters to you matters to us.

We will support you in a way that works best for you. We may think about:

- Your age
- How you communicate
- Your culture
- Your family and personal situation

Your family, carers, guardian and other support people can help you too.

What is Consent?

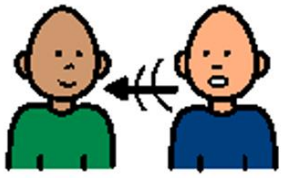
Consent means saying yes to something. It means you give permission for it to happen.

We will help you understand:

- Who can give consent
- How decisions are made

If you are 18 years or older:

- We will usually ask you for consent.
- This only changes if a legal order lets someone else make some decisions for you.



If you want help making decisions:

- We will support you.
- People you trust can help too, if you want them to.

If you cannot tell us what you want:

If no one has the legal right to make decisions for you, we may work with family or support people you trust. We will work together to make decisions that are best for you.

If you have a guardian or someone with the legal right to make decisions for you:

- We will work with you and that person when decisions need to be made.

If you are under 18 years old:

- We will work with your parent or legal guardian, unless a legal order says we must do something different.
- We will ask how you want to take part in decisions and how you want us to communicate with you.

How We Support You

We believe everyone should get support to make their own decisions as much as possible.

We will ask you:

- How you communicate

- How you like to make decisions
- Who you want to help you
- When you want them to help

We will write down your choices about support. We will use these choices to guide how we support you.

What you want may change over time. We will keep checking with you. This helps us respect your choices, what you want to do and what matters to you.

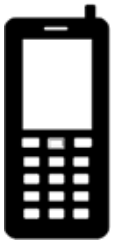
Our Commitment to You

We will:

- Respect your privacy and keep your information safe
- Help you understand information so you can make decisions
- Respect your rights and choices
- Listen to what matters to you

- Work with your family, guardian, carers and other support people if you want

Contact Us



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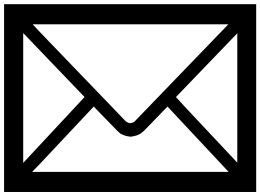

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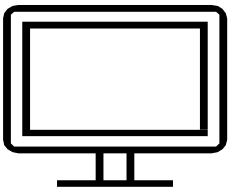

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