

# HAVE YOUR SAY! GET HEARD!

If you are a child or young person in care,  
the Advocate for Children in Care is just for you.

## What can the Advocate for Children in Care do for me?

The Advocate is there to help when you have problems or worries that you can't sort out with your case worker.

Do you want help to have your say, get information, or have a departmental decision reviewed?

Maybe you want to know more about your rights or how you can participate in making decisions about your life.

Maybe you want to make a complaint.

Maybe you have ideas and suggestions about how the Department can do things better for children and young people in care.

Whatever you're concerned about, the Advocate will:

- **Listen** to you, help you say what you want to say and help get adults to listen.
- **Give information & advice** about what you are entitled to, and how you should be treated.
- **Support** you if you want to have a decision reviewed or complain about things you believe are wrong.
- **Speak** to people in authority about what you think works or doesn't work for children and young people in care.

## How do I contact the Advocate for Children in Care?

### During office hours:

Telephone (08) 9222 2518

Free call 1800 460 696

### Out of hours:

Leave a message or text  
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