

Do You Need
The Advocate for
Children and Youth?
We are here to help you

All Children have rights.

### A right is something like a need.

According to the UN Convention on the Rights of a Child (www.un.org), all children and youth have survival rights, protection rights, participation rights and development rights. Some rights are: to be healthy; to have adults listen to you; to be safe; to go to school and to talk to the Advocate for Children and Youth.

If you are worried about your needs and rights, you can call the Advocate for Children and Youth. It is our job to help you.



Contact the Advocate for Children & Youth if you or someone you know is in need of help:

Phone: (709) 753-3888 Toll Free: 1-877-753-3888 TTY: (709) 753-4366

Fax: (709) 753-3988 Email: office@ocya.nl.ca

Website: www.childandyouthadvocate.nl.ca

Or drop by and speak with someone in our office:

193 LeMarchant Road St. John's, NL A1C 2H5 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

### As a Child: I HAVE RIGHTS



### I HAVE A VOICE



# I have a right to be heard!

Everyone has Rights You have Rights

This is why we have an Advocate for Children and Youth.

#### Who is the Advocate?

The word advocate means someone who speaks for you. If you feel that nobody is listening to you, you might need an advocate.





### Our office is an advocate for you.

- We can talk to government about your needs and rights.
- We can make sure someone listens to you, to what you want and need and that you are taken seriously.

## Who can the Advocate for Children and Youth Help?

We can help all children. Children in foster homes or children living at home, children who have special needs. If you are a child who is confused, scared, or worried about your needs and rights, call us!

The Advocate for Children and Youth can help all children.

### Are you ready to contact the Advocate?

- You can contact the Advocate yourself.
- You can also tell someone you trust and they can contact the Advocate for you.
- Sometimes you may need an adult to help. That's ok.
- We will make sure a friendly and helpful person will talk to you and listen to what you have to say.

### WE WILL HELP!

#### We will:

- Listen to you and your story.
- Answer your questions.
- Give you information.
- Talk to others about your problem.



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