

What we do.

The Personal Advocacy Trust offers two streams of service options:

1. Free short term advocacy support
2. Lifelong advocacy for enrolled members with intellectual disabilities after the death of their parents.



The mission has three key elements:

- **SUPPORT,**
- **ADVOCATE,** and to
- **ENCOURAGE INDEPENDENCE.**

The Personal Advocacy and Safeguarding Adults Trust offers parents and other interested persons an opportunity to invest in peace of mind. It was established in 1967 and has a proud heritage of advocating with and for its members for the last 50 years.

THE PERSONAL ADVOCACY AND SAFEGUARDING ADULTS TRUST

COORDINATED SAFEGUARDING RESPONSE
TRAINING AND EDUCATION
FREE INDEPENDENT ADVOCACY
LIFE LONG ADVOCACY

We accept donations to fund our work.

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What is Advocacy?

Advocacy is a service that argues for, or defends, another who is unable (or needs help) to do so for themselves.

The Personal Advocacy and Safeguarding Adults Trust is another set of eyes and ears, and importantly a voice for Adults at Risk.

We administer Trusts.

The Personal Advocacy Trust can also administer Discretionary Trusts for its members. Funds are securely invested, accounted and reported on, and are easily accessible to the member whilst also being protected for their interests. The Personal Advocacy and Safeguarding Adults Trust charges a nominal 1% annually for this service, with nil application, disbursement, or administrative fees. Discretionary Trusts may be established for members at the time of enrolment, or anytime thereafter.

Lifetime Advocacy:

How it works.

Families join the Trust by paying an enrolment fee on behalf of their son or daughter. That person then becomes a member of the Trust, and is appointed an Advocate who will become active after the parents die. Advocates work alongside members and encourage the potential for leading as independent a life as possible. This is achieved through regular contact, visiting, reporting, and planning, to monitor the wellbeing of the member.

The Advocate will:

- keep an eye on the Member's general health and well-being; checking that education, work, accommodation and leisure activities are all going well.
- Check that the Member has access to their money for day to day expenses and that any longer term financial interests are being protected.
- Discuss any difficulties or issues that the Member may need help with
- Raise and work through those issues with others involved, including service providers, to find a positive solution
- Support the Member to self-advocate

The type and intensity of advocacy required will vary between each member, and from year to year.



Free Short-Term Advocacy

Whilst lifetime advocacy is the ideal, we understand that this model is not accessible or necessary for all adults at risk in New Zealand.

The Personal Advocacy and Safeguarding Adults Trust also provides free short term advocacy support to meet this need for independent, crisis responsive and temporary advocacy.

This service may be accessed by the individual themselves, Parents, Whanau, Service Providers, or any other support person. Please visit www.PASAT.org.nz to make a referral.

