



Independent Mental
Capacity Advocate
Service
Northumberland



Are you a professional making plans for someone who has a condition that is affecting their ability to make decisions?

The Mental Capacity Act 2005 places a legal duty on the decision maker to involve an IMCA if:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The person is 16 years or older and lacks the capacity to make certain decisions
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The person does not have friends or family who can appropriately advocate on their behalf
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The person is facing a decision about either *Serious medical treatment or *Change of accommodation

If you have answered yes to all the above, it is a legal duty for the person to be referred to an Independent Mental Capacity Advocate. A referral to the IMCA service may also be warranted for decisions situations relating to safeguarding adults and care/accommodation reviews. Please review our referral form or visit our website for further information on the referral criteria.

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