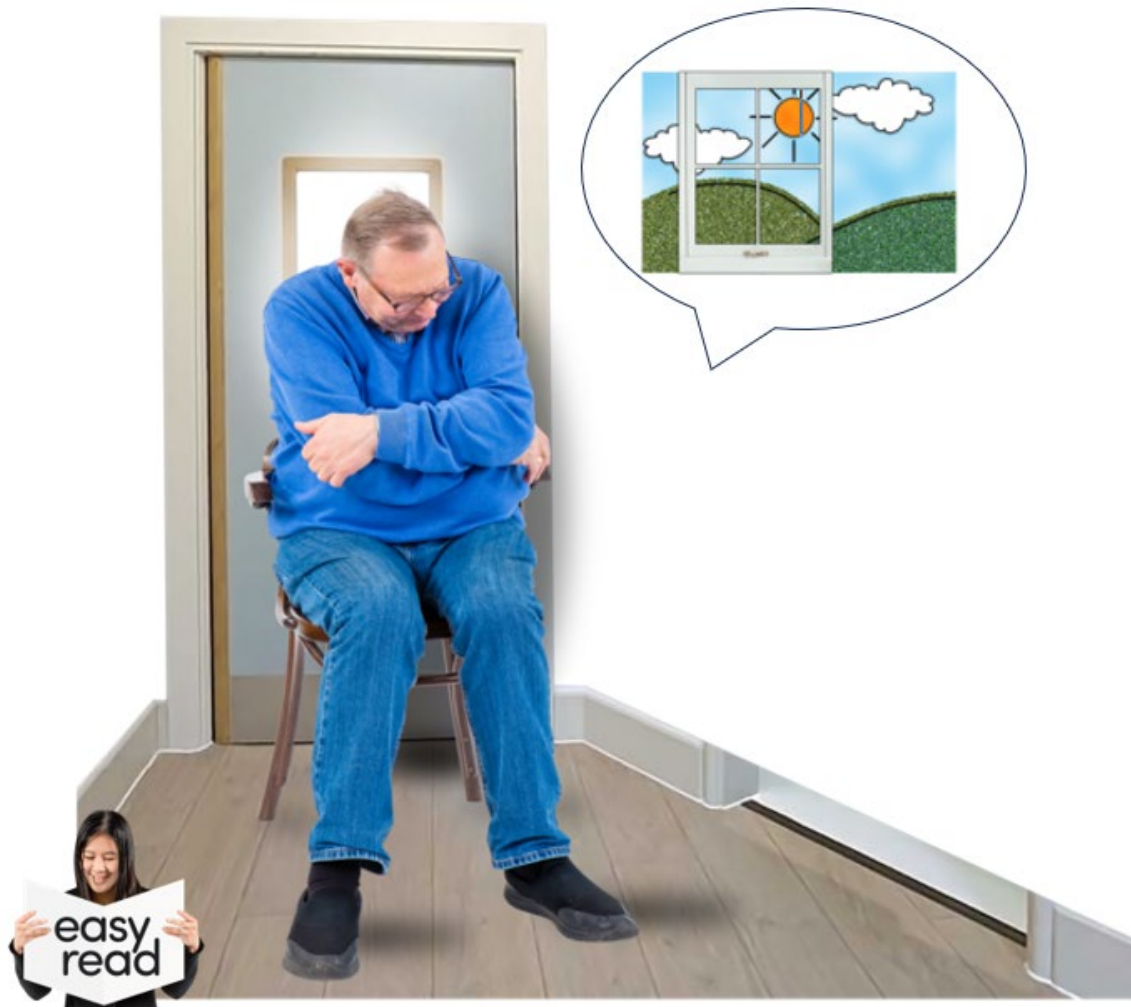


PATIENT INFORMATION

Deprivation of Liberty Safeguarding

What is Deprivation of Liberty Safeguarding?



Working with you, for you

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The Deprivation of Liberty Safeguarding is part of the Mental Capacity Act 2005, which will keep you safe and protected.



If it has been decided you need to stay in care home or hospital, due to your care and treatment needs, then you may be affected by Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards. It may also affect you at home or in the community.



Health and Social Care professionals or a family member will make a decision about your care, based on your best interests in keeping you safe.



There will be rules in place to keep you safe, these are called Safeguards.



You may also have a family member or a friend who will ensure you are being looked after and treated properly.



If a family member or a friend is not able to support you, you will be provided with an Independent Advocate.



An Independent Advocate will support you and make regular visits to see you and ensure you are being looked after in the right way.



An Independent Advocate is free.



Independent Advocates do not work for Social Services or the NHS. Advocates can support you to have your say.



Your Advocate will discuss your care with others to help them get to know you better:

- Health and Social Care
- Family and Friends
- Carers and Care Workers



If you live in a care home or are staying in hospital, there will be specific rules on how you should be treated or cared for. Your Advocate will make sure those rules are being followed.



If you are unhappy with any rules, speak with your Advocate who can ask for a review.



If you continue to be unhappy about your situation, your Advocate can then speak to the Court of Protection to decide what is best for you.



More information



Adult Social Care in Torbay



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