

Self advocacy start-up toolkit tip sheet

More power, more control over our lives!



Advisors

Self advocacy groups sometimes need the help of someone to assist in running the self advocacy group. These people are known as "Advisors".



- ❖ **Advisors do not vote in the decisions made by the group**
- ❖ **Advisors do not make decisions for the group**

WHAT MAKES A GOOD ADVISOR?

- **Helps** run the meetings, but won't take over
- Needs to **show up**, be responsible, and on time
- **Explains** what you do not understand
- **Helps** with the agenda
- Might **assist** people to schedule their rides to meetings and events
- Is **committed** to the group
- Is **understanding** and **patient**
- **Supports** members when they want to talk about a sensitive issue
- Is **trustworthy**