

How your guardian makes decisions

Public Guardian Easy Read fact sheet



This fact sheet is about:

- The Office of the Public Guardian
- What a guardian does
- How decisions are made



This information is in easy read.

There are some hard words in **blue**.

The hard words are explained.



What is a guardian?



A **guardian** is someone who makes some important decisions for you.



A **decision** is when you make a choice about something after thinking about it.

Why do you have a guardian?



The Guardianship Division decided you need the Public Guardian to make some **decisions** for you.

The **Guardianship Division** is a group of people who make decisions

It is more relaxed than a court

What is a guardianship order?



Your **guardianship order** is an important paper.

It is like a set of rules that say:

- When the order ends
- What decisions your guardian can make

You can ask your guardian for a copy of your guardianship order.

How does your guardian make decisions?



Your guardian makes decisions by:

- Coming to visit you



- Talking to you to find out what you want

How does your guardian make decisions?



- Talking to your family or carers



- Reading reports from doctors



- Looking at the choices



- Making sure the choices are safe

How will I know when a decision is made?



- It takes time to make a decision



- When your guardian makes a decision, they will send you a letter



If you are not happy with the decision, talk to your guardian about it



You can ask your guardian for more information.

The phone number is:

- 02 8688 6070
- 1800 451 510



You can call us through the National Relay Service.

The phone number is:

- 1800 555 630



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