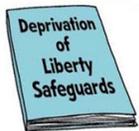




Best Interests Assessor (BIA) is the person who writes a **report** to tell the supervisory body if someone needs a Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards Authorisation.



The **supervisory body** are the people who decide if someone needs Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards.



The **RPR** is an **independent** person who keeps regular contact with the person who has a DoLS order to make sure their rights are being upheld and they are safe.

Lacking capacity is when people **cannot make certain decisions** for themselves.



A **review** is a check to make sure a person in a care home or hospital is being **treated in the right way**.

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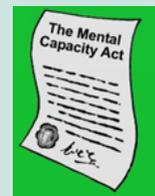
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DoLS RPR Service



The **Mental Capacity Act 2005** is a law about **making decisions** for people who can't make decisions for themselves.



The law makes sure that people can live in a place where they can be **cared for or treated** in a way that is right for them.



These rules are called Mental Capacity Act 2005 **Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS)**.



They are for people who **cannot make a decision** about the way they are being treated or cared for.

Relevant Person's Representatives (RPR) help people who cannot make decisions for themselves about their lives.

This service is provided by Advocacy for All in the London Borough of Croydon





The RPR is usually a **family member** or **friend**.

If the **supervisory body** cannot find one they must appoint a **paid RPR**. This is often provided by an **advocacy service**.



The RPR **visits** the person regularly. They check the person is being looked after in a way that keeps them **safe**.



The RPR makes sure everything being done is in the **person's best interests**.



As far as possible, the **person must be involved** in any decision made about them.



The RPR can **request a review** of the person's DoLS order.

The RPR can also appeal the DoLS order to the **Court of Protection**.



To have a Deprivation of Liberty Safeguarding (DoLS) order you must

- be **lacking capacity** to make a decision about where you **need to live**



- be **aged 18** or over



The paid RPR **must**

- be **aged 18** years or over



- be **independent**

- maintain **regular contact** with the person



The RPR **must not** be **employed** by or providing **services** to the care home or **hospital** where the person lives or employed by the **supervisory body**

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