



DEFENDING & ADVANCING  
THE RIGHTS OF PEOPLE  
WITH DISABILITIES

WHILE WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO VISIT THE UNIT IN PERSON AT THE PRESENT TIME

**WE ARE STILL HERE FOR YOU TO ENSURE YOUR  
RIGHTS ARE PROTECTED!**

**1-800-834-7890**

(call anytime and leave a message with your name and the hospital unit you are on and you will receive a return call from DRVT staff as soon as possible)

**DRVT Can Offer Patients Assistance With:**

- Understanding and exercising your rights as a patient in the hospital and/or a person with a disability in the community
- Investigating complaints of abuse, neglect and serious rights violations
- Delays in timely and appropriate discharges from the hospital
- Requesting reasonable accommodations in the hospital, employment, and housing
- Overcoming barriers to employment or education for SSA Beneficiaries
- Legal advocacy and representation for victims of crime
- Voting rights, voter registration, and requesting absentee ballots by mail
- Information and referral to other agencies for issues not within DRVT's scope of service

Please note that decisions on whether DRVT will investigate or provide a specific type of assistance are made on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration self-advocacy options, staff resources, and alternative representation that may be available.

**TO CONTACT DRVT Call: 1-800-834-7890**

Or email: [info@disabilityrightsvt.org](mailto:info@disabilityrightsvt.org)

Or write to: Disability Rights Vermont, 141 Main Street Suite 7, Montpelier, VT 05602

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Mental Health Ombudsman***