Section 67- Advocacy.
- The right to independent advocacy in certain circumstances, help to understand relevant information, retain that information, weigh up information, communicating individual’s wishes, needs, views and feelings.
- If individual lacks capacity to make decision, local authority must be satisfied that the advocate is supporting individual’s best interests.

Carers:
- play a vital role in adult social care, approximately 7 million throughout Britain, ranging from providing few hours care to 24 hour care.
- **BUT** carers also have their own care and support needs. Must make sure that service providers make practical support for carers a high priority.
- Carer = an adult who provides care for another adult, including practical and emotional support.

Young carers and parent carers are becoming a larger number in the UK. Young people who care for their parents/grandparents and also parents who need to provide care for their children beyond 18.

Short periods of residential accommodation may be included in a care plan, or may be able to move permanently when no longer able to stay at home. This is regulated by the Care Standards Act (2000).