



National Platform Of Self Advocates

"Stand Up... Speak Out"

The National Platform of Self Advocates is a national organisation run by people with intellectual disabilities for people with intellectual disabilities.

It is the only Disabled Persons Organisation (DPO) for people with intellectual disabilities in Ireland.

The organisation was set up to make sure that the voices of people with intellectual disabilities are heard.

Think before you vote #GE2020

The government is obliged to fund Disabled Persons Organisations (DPOs). This is essential to ensuring the rights of persons with disabilities are guaranteed.

We are asking you to vote for election candidates who support the rights of persons with disabilities and the organisations that represent them.

Ask the election candidates in your area if they know about the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD) and what they will do if elected to ensure its full implementation.

The UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with disabilities was ratified by Ireland in 2018. Article 29 of the UNCRPD states the following:

(b) Promote actively an environment in which persons with disabilities can effectively and fully participate in the conduct of public affairs, without discrimination and on an equal basis with others, and encourage their participation in public affairs, including:

(i) Participation in non-governmental organizations and associations concerned with the public and political life of the country, and in the activities and administration of political parties;

(ii) Forming and joining organizations of persons with disabilities to represent persons with disabilities at international, national, regional and local levels.