

SERVICES OFFERED

- In person Resident Rights trainings to Resident groups at Adult Care Facilities.
- Presentations to support workers, advocacy groups, or other care professionals on Adult Care Facility Legal issues.
- Collaboration and coordination with other social agencies to obtain assistance for residents.
- Advocacy and legal representation upon acceptance as a client.
- Limited estate, and Medicaid planning for eligible persons
- Legal representation in Court for evictions and debt actions, if resident is accepted as a client.
- Representation at Administrative hearings and conferences for qualified Residents.

Contact Us

Nassau Suffolk Law Services Adult Care Facility Project

For Residents of Nassau County:

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Hempstead, NY 11550
Call (516) 292-8100

For Residents of Suffolk County:

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Our Mission

Nassau Suffolk Law Services is committed to helping people in need assert and secure their rights under the law. We provide free legal services in thousands of civil cases each year, as well as legal support to community advocates to ensure that people with low incomes and disabilities have equal access to the civil justice system on Long Island.

INTRODUCTION

The Adult Care Facility Project is funded through a grant from the Justice Center, which allows NSLS to assist Residents of Adult Care Facilities with certain civil (non-criminal) legal problems. Our primary goal is to help Residents with issues within the Facility, and those Residents with other legal issues who cannot afford a private attorney, but all eligible Residents are offered assistance when appropriate.

ELIGIBILITY

You must be Resident of and Adult Care Facility, or if you no longer are a Resident, your issue must arise from a facility related issue. You must live in Suffolk or Nassau County, and have a legal issue that meets our guidelines.

We often give advice and counsel on the phone, make referrals to other agencies or advocates where appropriate, and provide information. Individual cases are accepted for representation after case evaluation.

What We Do

We address the legal needs of Long Island Adult Care Facility Residents in many different areas, including financial, housing, social security, public benefits, resident rights and health care. We will also come to the Facility and provide an in-person training on the legal rights of Adult Care Residents. Many Residents require assistance with advocacy within the Facility for their rights, including issues with the administration, evictions, property issues within the facility, staff issues or inadequate services. We also assist with legal matters independent of the Facility. Many Residents call us with debt problems. Others wish to have a will drafted. Still others require our services with either executing powers of attorney and/or health care proxies, or revoking them. Some Residents wish to leave the Facility and are not sure how to go about it, in which case we provide referrals to agencies or advocates that can assist.

Residents may require assistance in obtaining health care and preserving limited financial resources through Medicaid planning techniques. Other individuals may need help with SSI denials or overpayments or Social Security retirement issues. We help

Residents with these and many other problems. If a phone screening reveals an issue requiring our services, a representative of NSLS will come to the Facility, hospital, or other mutually appropriate location, to discuss the matter further.

Nassau Suffolk Law Services never charges a fee.

Call (631) 232-2400 to see if you are eligible for the Adult Care Facility Project.

