

# 3 stories that matter - Phillipa

Phillipa is 89 and lives with her husband Patryk. 4 years ago, she had a heart attack which left her with a brain injury: she requires 24hr care and is receiving end of life care at a hospice funded through Continuing Health Care.

Phillipa lacks the capacity to consent to these care arrangements and so a Deprivation of Liberty Safeguard has been authorised. Her husband acts as her unpaid Relevant Person's Representative and has a 39d IMCA to help him understand the Safeguards and process.



Patryk believes that Phillipa would not want to die in the hospice but would want to return home for her last few days and weeks.

The advocate working in the IMCA role supports Patryk to request a Personal Health Budget to help

him to care for Phillipa at home.

The advocate challenges the DoLS as there was evidence Phillipa wanted to go home and would want to appeal. The advocate was also concerned that the current arrangements were not the least restrictive option, which was returning home with support.

With the support of the advocate, Patryk requested adaptations were made to the home and nursing care was arranged and organised through a Personal Health Budget.

Phillipa spent the last 6 weeks of her life at home, with her husband, which is what she wanted.