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Neglect is when someone says they are going to help you but they don’t.

They might not:

- give you medicine you need
- allow you to see a doctor
- help you stay clean and comfortable
- give you enough to eat and drink
- treat you as an equal
• think about your feelings

• treat you with respect

• keep you safe

• let you see your friends and family.

All of these things are wrong.
Anyone could abuse you, including:

- family

- friends

- carers or other people who support you

- neighbours or people you live with

- people you work with

- members of your community.
The person neglecting you might not know what they’re doing is wrong.

You might feel too scared to:

• speak out

• stop them.

You might not know how to get help.

They might make it hard for you to tell anyone.

If neglect happens to you, it is important to speak out.

You should tell someone you trust as soon as you can.
Who can help you?

If you are:
- in danger now, call the WA Police on 000
- not in danger right now, call the WA Police on 13 1444

An advocate is a person who can help you or speak up for you.
If you would like support from an advocate, call People With Disabilities WA on
(08) 9420 7279
or
1800 193 331

If you want to make a complaint about a disability service, contact the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission:
1800 035 544
contactcentre@ndiscommission.gov.au
www.ndiscommission.gov.au

If you want to report neglect, call the Disability Abuse and Neglect Hotline on
1800 880 052

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