













Disability Legal Information Clinic

Information & Policy Document for Clinic Sessions



	<p>This document tells you all about the Disability Legal Information Clinic.</p>
	<p>The Disability Legal Information Clinic is based in the Centre for Disability Law and Policy at the University of Galway.</p>



What we do?

	<p>The students in the clinic can explain the law to you or help you with a problem about disability and the law.</p>
	<p>They can give you information about what the law says and what that might mean for you.</p>
	<p>This could be a question or a problem about</p>
	<p>Work</p>

	<p>Housing, independent living or supports</p>
	<p>School, college or a course</p>
	<p>Discrimination or not being treated fairly</p>
	<p>Or something else</p>

Research Resource

	<p>The clinic also has a research resource.</p>
	<p>This is where the students in the clinic research a question about disability for a group of disabled people, a community group or a solicitor or barrister.</p>

	<p>The students will research the topic the group picks and write a report about what they find.</p>
	<p>To find out more about the research resource email the clinic at dlic@universityofgalway.ie</p>

Who can come to the clinic?

	<p>People with disabilities in Ireland</p>
	<p>Family, friends or people who support someone with a disability</p>
	<p>Groups that work with or for people with disabilities.</p>
	<p>Solicitors, barristers or other professionals working on something about disability law.</p>



We would like the person with a disability to come to the meeting themselves if they can at all.

This is so they know what is happening and get all the information from the students in the clinic.



We understand that people might want to bring a supporter to clinic and we are happy for them to do that.

How do you get an appointment?



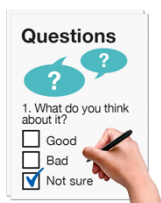
If you would like a meeting with the clinic to talk about a question or problem you need to email us to make an appointment.






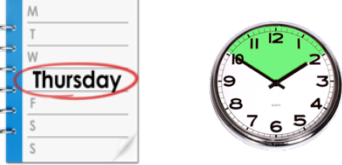
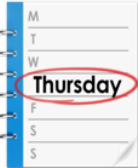
The clinic's email address is dlic@universityofgalway.ie





The clinic will not give you information about your problem by email.



Instead we will send you a form to fill out to tell us more about your problem and what questions you have.

	<p>This form also asks if you are happy to use Microsoft Teams or something like it to have the meeting online.</p>
	<p>You can also ask to have the meeting in the CDLP's office in Galway.</p>
	<p>When you send us back the form the students will start looking for the information you need.</p>
	<p>We will also give you a time and a date for our meeting.</p>
	<p>If you cannot come to this meeting you need to tell us at least 1 day before the meeting is supposed to happen.</p>

What happens in the meeting?

	<p>Before the meeting we will send you all the information you need to take part in the meeting online</p>
	<p>We can help you test this before the meeting or explain how it works if you haven't used it before.</p>



If you need something to make it easier for you to take part in the meeting, like a sign language interpreter, you should tell us this before the meeting.



A student, someone who works in the CDLP and a solicitor or barrister will be at every clinic meeting.



In the meeting everyone will say hello and tell you who they are before we start.



The person who works in the CDLP and the solicitor are there to make sure the student gives you the right information.



We might ask you questions to find out more about your problem before we start talking about we found out for you.



Anything you tell us in the clinic will be kept secret or private.



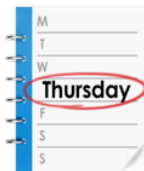
We might write some things down in case we need to find out something else for you but we won't write down anything that means other people know who said these things.



We sometimes use these notes to tell students about the types of questions that come up at clinic and teach them who to answer them.






If we do that we will never say who had the question or problem, where they lived or anything that might tell people who they are.





Sometimes we might have to have another meeting to answer all your questions, if this happens we will talk about when this meeting will happen or how we can talk to you before we finish.


We want to hear what you think

	<p>We want to hear about how you think the meeting went and what we can do to make the clinic better.</p>
	<p>After the meeting we will send you a form to fill out.</p>
	<p>This form is in Easy Read too.</p>

Is the clinic accessible?

	<p>We want to make sure that everyone who wants the clinic's help can talk to us and come to meetings.</p>
	<p>If there is something that would help you please tell us by sending an email to dlic@universityofgalway.ie</p>

I have more questions, who should I talk to?

	<p>If you have more questions you should email dlic@universityofgalway.ie</p>
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