

Advocacy for disability rights

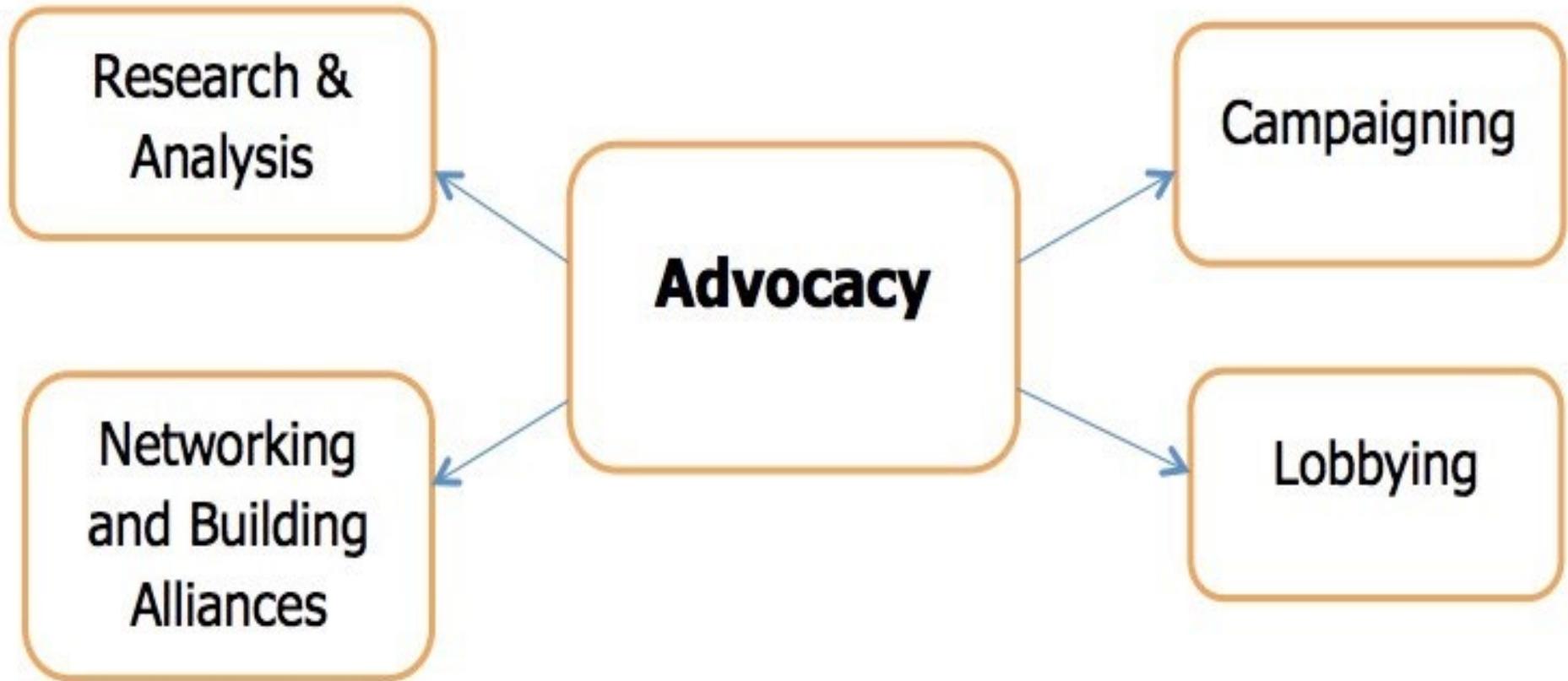


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Learning objectives

By the end of the session participants shall be able to:

- Define advocacy.
- Explain the importance of advocacy for disability rights.
- Explain the advocacy cycle.
- Give examples of advocacy strategies.
- Give examples of challenges to advocacy and how to overcome them.
- List types of advocacy.



Types of advocacy

- Self-advocacy
- Individual advocacy (informal / formal)
- Systems advocacy.

Advocacy for disability rights

- Enables people to be heard.
- Supports the protection of human rights.
- Influences laws and policies.

Why disability advocacy is important

- To ensure that the rights of persons with disabilities are highlighted and upheld.
- To defend and safeguard rights.



Activity

Advocacy strategies

Remember

- Rehearse what you are going to say
- Use hand gestures and eye contact to add power to your presentation
- Use case studies
- Provide data and references to laws
- Be specific and clear
- Be respectful.

Discussion

Challenges to advocacy



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