
Learning Disability & Autism

Independent Safeguarding & Operational Oversight for LD & Autism Services

Seeing What Others Miss™



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People with learning disabilities and autistic people are disproportionately affected by poor care, restrictive practice, closed cultures and safeguarding failures. The lessons of Winterbourne View, Whorlton Hall and countless other scandals are clear: independent oversight is essential.

Why Independent Oversight Matters

Services for people with learning disabilities and autistic people face unique challenges: communication barriers, complex behavioural support needs, long-term placements that become invisible to external scrutiny, and cultures that can normalise restriction and control.

ORVIA's Role

ORVIA provides independent, reflective review of safeguarding practice, operational reality, culture, governance and care quality in learning disability & autism settings. We help turn concern into clarity and evidence into action.

Common Concerns

Concerns in learning disability & autism settings often emerge gradually — through patterns, repeated incidents, environmental signals, or a sense that something is not quite right.

- Use of restrictive practices beyond what is proportionate
- Long-term placements with limited external visibility
- Communication barriers preventing individuals from raising concerns
- Services that feel institutional rather than person-centred
- Families feeling excluded from care planning
- Lack of meaningful activity, choice or independence
- Staff who lack specialist training or understanding
- Incidents being managed rather than understood
- Governance providing assurance without genuine oversight
- Concerns about appropriateness or quality of placement

How ORVIA Can Help

ORVIA provides specialist, independent review of LD and autism services. Our approach is informed by the Oliver McGowan principles and human rights frameworks.

Services & Indicative Pricing

SERVICE	INDICATIVE FEE
Clarity Review — Early concern review	From £750
Safeguarding Insight — Structured concern review	From £1,500–£2,500
Operational Reality — Practice vs documentation	From £2,500–£5,000
Culture Visibility — Closed culture assessment	From £3,500–£7,500
Board Assurance — Governance and oversight	From £5,000–£10,000+

Indicative pricing only. Final fees confirmed after scoping. All fees exclude VAT.

What ORVIA Helps Achieve



- Specialist understanding of LD and autism challenges
- Independent assessment of restrictive practice
- Person-centred review focused on lived experience
- Culture and closed culture identification
- Support for families raising concerns
- Oliver McGowan-informed approach to all reviews
- Evidence-led findings with practical recommendations
- Governance assurance for commissioners and providers

Our Process

1

Initial Conversation

Understanding the concern, context and urgency.

2

Scope Agreed

Clear, proportionate scope before any review begins.

3

Evidence Gathering

Documentation, records and information gathered.

4

Operational Review

Practice, culture and behaviour assessed against documentation.

5

Reflection & Challenge

Findings challenged using the ORVIA Test.

6

Report & Recommendations

Evidenced report with proportionate action plan.

"ORVIA helps organisations see clearly before crisis forces them to."

Start a Conversation

If you have a concern, a question, or simply want to understand whether ORVIA can help — the first step is a safe, confidential conversation.

Contact ORVIA

Email: hello@orviahealthcare.co.uk

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What Happens When You Contact ORVIA?

We listen. We agree whether ORVIA is the right fit. We define a clear scope. We review evidence, context, culture and operational reality. We provide findings, recommendations and next steps.

"I built ORVIA because too much in care and safeguarding is judged by paperwork before it is understood through human reality."

— **John McGill, Founder, ORVIA Healthcare**



Important Notice

ORVIA resources are designed to support reflection, understanding and safer conversations. They are not a substitute for emergency support, statutory safeguarding action, legal advice, clinical advice, regulatory inspection or professional judgement. If someone is at immediate risk of harm, contact emergency services or the appropriate safeguarding authority.

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