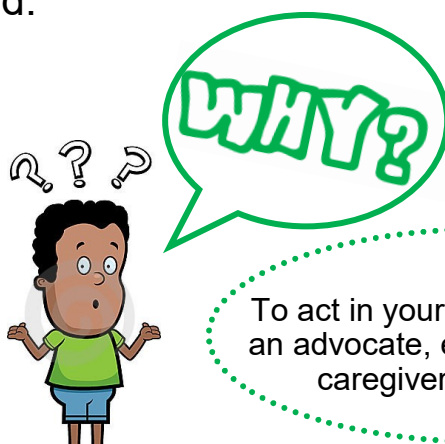


WHAT IS A CHAPERONE?



A chaperone is a medical person who may be called to observe your procedure or examination and provide support to you and to the other health professional involved.



To be the brave one if you or they have any concerns about the procedure or examination. They will be the ones to speak up to a senior manager about any inappropriate behaviour, actions or comments.

To act in your best interest and be an advocate, especially when your caregiver is not with you.

To give you emotional comfort and reassurance, they should be there to help if you're feeling worried.

A CHAPERONE SHOULD BE...

Visible to the patient and be able to observe the whole intimate examination/procedure

A chaperone will also provide protection to health care professionals against unfounded allegations of improper behaviour made by the child or parents

Familiar with the procedures involved in a routine intimate examination

