

# Schizophrenia

“Schizophrenia is a severe long-term mental health condition. It causes a range of different psychological symptoms.”  
- (National Health Service, 2016)

Schizophrenia symptom's include:

- Hallucinations,
- Delusions,
- Muddled thoughts, and
- Changes in behaviour. - (National Health Service, 2016)

## Social Model

The Social Model of disability is said to be caused by the society and the way it is organised rather than the person's disability. The Model is put in place to look in-to different ways of removing the barriers of the restrictions that effects their life choices.

The Social Model was developed by the disabled for the disabled, because the medical model did not explain the disability or to help the people to develop more ways of living.

(Disability Nottinghamshire, n.d.)

## Advantages and Disadvantages

The advantages of the social model for Schizophrenia are:-

- Society looks to change around the needs of the person rather than asking.
- The social model tells people that the impairments or bodies were not the problem—the social barriers are.
- The model is based on an understanding the complexity of the human health and well-being.

The disadvantages of the social model for Schizophrenia are:-

- Lack of support



- Can possibly cost more
- If the focus is on

(Fenner, K. E., (n.d.))



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## Medical Model

The Medical Model of disability says that people are disabled by their impairment or differences to others. Under this model these impairments should be ‘fixed’ or changed by treatments, medical or otherwise, even when the disability does not cause the person any pain or illness.

(Disability Nottinghamshire, n.d.)

## Advantages and Disadvantages

The advantages of the medical model for Schizophrenia are:-

- Can be more efficient because it is only the medical model.
- Focuses on the individuals in terms of their medical/support needs.

The disadvantages of the medical model for Schizophrenia are:-

- The person is not being treated holistically.

## NHS and The Welsh Government

The Welsh Government had released a document named — ‘Together for mental Health: A Strategy for Mental Health and Well-being in Wales’ is a 10 year plan that the government had put into place to help with making the lives of the people with a mental health issues and using the mental health services as well as their carers and families better.

The National Assembly had also created a law for Wales, called the ‘Mental Health (Wales) Measure 2010’. This policy was introduced to make important changes to the support that already exists and is available for the people with mental health problems and their families in Wales.

- (National Health Service (Wales), n.d.)

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