

# Representing Clients in Guardianship

## Actions: Winning the Case for Supported Decision Making

Supported Decision-Making is an alternative to guardianship where older adults and people with disabilities work with trusted friends, family members, and professionals to help them understand the situations they face and the choices they must make so they can make their own decision, without the need for a guardian.

This webinar will help you learn how to “win the case” for Supported Decision-Making at three critical stages: (1) when helping the people you work with access supports and services to live independently; (2) when a petition for guardianship has been filed; (3) and when the person you're working with is under a guardianship.

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