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Description

The National Center for State Courts, with the assistance of the American Bar Association Commission on Law and Aging, and with funding from the Department of Justice, Elder Justice Initiative, have created Finding the Right Fit: Decision-Making Supports and Guardianship, a training designed to assist individuals in exploring ways to help someone who may need assistance in making decisions with informal supports, legal options, and/or adult guardianship.

Finding the Right Fit provides a broad overview of decision-making supports and guardianship that is not specific to state laws or rules. The goal of the training is to provide information and guidance on finding the right kind of supports for someone's needs, including:

- Supporting someone in making their own choices about health, money, and lifestyle.
- Discovering ways to exercise independence.
- Deciding whether to become a guardian or conservator, and how to support a person's self-determination and decision-making as a guardian or conservator.
- Preventing and addressing the risk of abuse, neglect and exploitation that is present with any of the above options.

NOTE: Consult the FAQ page for helpful instructions prior to starting this training.

Please be aware that this training is not a substitute for legal advice from a licensed attorney.

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