



# Finding the Right Fit: Decision-Making Supports and Guardianship

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The **mission** is to support and coordinate the Department of Justice's enforcement and programmatic efforts to combat elder abuse, neglect, and financial fraud and scams that target older adults.

The Initiative does so by—

- Promoting justice for older adults.
- Helping older victims and their families.
- Enhancing state and local efforts through training and resources.
- Supporting research to improve elder abuse policy and practice.

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**You're fighting elder abuse on the front lines. We've got your back.**

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# Finding the Right Fit:

## Decision-Making Supports and Guardianship

# Who is the audience?

- Supporting a family member struggling with Alzheimer's
- Planning for the future and what supports to have in place
- Supporting students with developmental disabilities
- Considering becoming a guardian for a friend

# What will you learn?

- Informal decision supports
- Less restrictive legal options
- Guardianship

**Not a substitute for legal advice**



# Demonstration

- [Finding the Right Fit: Decision-Making Supports and Guardianship](#)
- <http://eji.courtims.org>

# Questions

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