3 MINUTE WEBINARS:
SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING WITH GUARDIANSHIP

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SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING IS ALWAYS AN OPTION

- SDM and guardianship should both be focused on the needs, wishes, and culture of the person with a disability
- Decisions should reflect the person, not the abstract “best”

| No defined needs or supports | Power of Attorney and/or formal SDM agreement, Rep Payee or Trust | Limited or full guardianship or conservatorship |

Supported Decision Making can be used
SDM AS A PATH OUT OF GUARDIANSHIP

• SDM has been used as a way to remove guardianship
• SDM can be layered with other supports
  – POAs
  – Special Needs Trust/ABLE
  – Supportive team
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