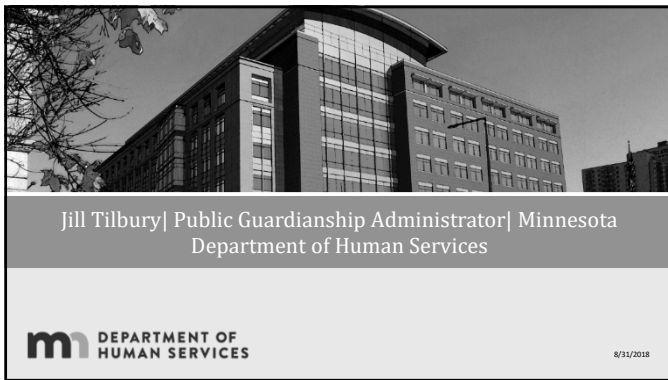




WINGS
Working Interdisciplinary Networks
of Guardianship Stakeholders
MINNESOTA

WINGS Minnesota Update and Success

October 22, 2018
National Guardianship Conference



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Department of Human Services

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8/31/2018



Dan Blakley - Sr. Director - Guardianship Options and
Pooled Trust Services - Lutheran Social Service of MN



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Objectives

- Understand the Goals, Objectives, and Products of the Grant
- Have knowledge of the Individual and System Level Outcomes
- Learn How to Create a Successful WINGS program in your State



History for Minnesota

- Guardianship in Minnesota
- WINGS Began in 2014
- ABA WINGS grant in 2015-2016
- ACL grant for 2016-2018



Wings in the beginning Phases

- Summit 2015
- Developed Sub-committees
- Need for education and New Models
- Supported Decision Making



Wings in 2016

- Collaborated with Johnathan Martinis and Department of Human Services to Present in person and create videos
- Summit for the group



Momentum for Wings

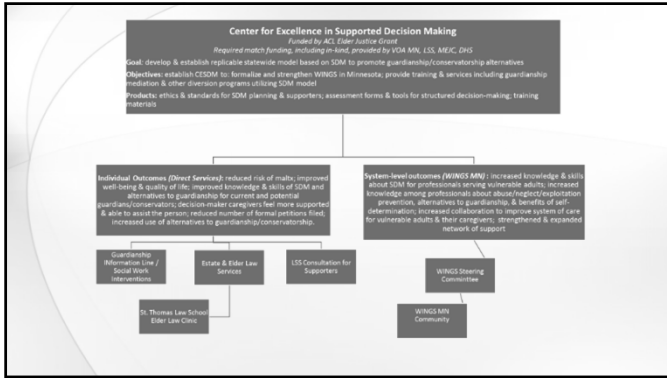
- ACL Elder Justice Grant-Center for Excellence on Supported Decision Making
- Partners and Stakeholders
- Continue the mission of Wings



Center for Excellence in Supported Decision Making

A Program of VOA MN, funded by
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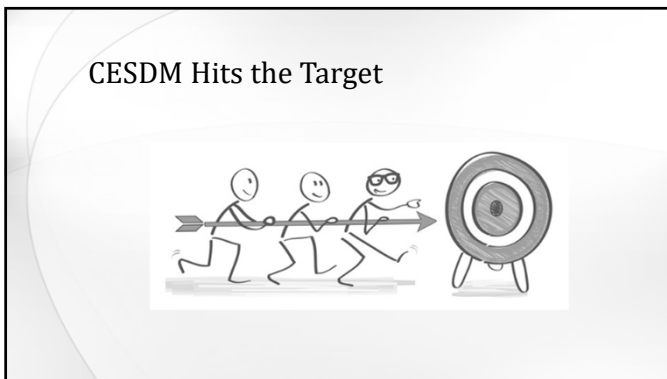




CESDM Goal

Develop and Establish Replicable Statewide Model Based on SDM to promote guardianship and conservatorship alternatives.





CESDM Objectives

Establish CESDM to: Formalize and Strengthen WINGS in Minnesota; provide training and services including guardianship mediation and other diversion programs utilizing SDM model



Objectives Met By CESDM

Provided training across the state
Strengthened WINGS MN by creating a larger involvement from more stakeholders
Others are using this model more and more



WINGS Products

Ethics and Standards for SDM planning and supporters; assessment forms and tools for structured decision-making; training



A Sample of WINGS Products

- Training in a Toolbox
- Tool for Decision-Making
- State Courts Online Tool for Guardians and Conservators-encompasses standards and ethics



Individual Outcomes (Direct Services)

Reduced risk of Maltreatment; improved well-being and quality of life; improved knowledge and skills of SDM and alternatives to guardianship for current and potential guardians/conservators; decision-making caregivers feel more supported and able to assist the person; reduced number of formal petitions filed; increased use of alternatives to guardianship/conservatorship.



CESDM: Impacting individuals

Supporting “family” in need of consultation for support or technical assistance in the role of a supported or surrogate decision maker.



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Guardianship Complaint
 Advocate:
 Cate Boyko
 651-440-9300

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GUARDIANSHIP INFORMATION LINE




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System Level Outcomes (WINGS MN)

- Increase knowledge and skills about SDM for professionals serving vulnerable adults;
- Increased knowledge among professionals about abuse/neglect/exploitation prevention, alternatives to guardianship, and benefits of self-determination;
- Increased collaboration to improve system of care for vulnerable adults and their caregivers;
- Strengthened and expanded network of support



**CESDM and WINGS MN:
Impacting Communities**

- Supporting individuals, providers, families through education
- Building systems prioritizing supported decision making and alternatives to guardianship
- Sustaining conversations with stakeholders: improve outcomes, increase self-determination



**CESDM and WINGS MN:
Impacting Communities**

- Annual Summit
- Quarterly newsletters with local and national news
- Community and Professional Education & Training: Guardianship, SDM, etc.



How do we build WINGS?

- Webinars and Summits with Stakeholders
- Leverage existing groups when possible
- In Person Presentations
- Jonathan Martinis Videos with Department of Human Services
- Developing Online Training for Guardians/Conservators
- Collaboration with other affiliates
- Website
- Administration for Community Living Grant-Center for Excellence on Supported Decision Making



How do we build WINGS?

- Center for Excellence on Supported Decision Making
- Continuing to Discuss and Share Alternatives for Guardianship
- Review Statutes and Use Supported Decision Making In Legislation
- Seek continued funding for Center for Excellence
- Continue to Have Summits



Lessons Learned

- Time to make legislative change
- Future resources after ACL grant
- Engaging the Educational System
- Acceptance of Change within the System
- Important work and needs dedicated coordinator



Future for WINGS MN

- We want to collaborate with other States
- Continuing to Discuss and Share Alternatives for Guardianship
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• Join our efforts to promote alternatives to guardianship and expand networks of people addressing maltreatment of vulnerable adults:

• Become a WINGS MN community member!

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- www.wingsmn.org

RESOURCES

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- **MN Courts: Guardianship Manual, Forms, Online Training**
- <http://www.mncourts.gov/Help-Topics/Guardianship-and-Conservatorship.aspx>



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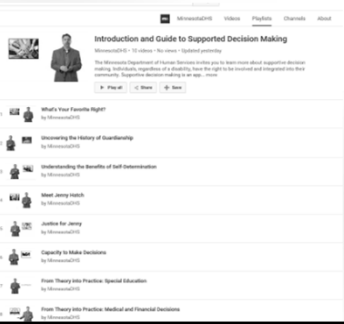
- **National Resource Center on Supported Decision Making**
www.supporteddecisionmaking.org
- **American Bar Association: PRACTICAL**
www.americanbar.org

RESOURCES

- **American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities and The Arc Joint Position Statement**
http://aidd.org/news-policy/policy/position-statements/autonomy-decision-making-supports-and-guardianship#.WH_huOkiy70
- **National Guardianship Association SDM Position Statement**
http://guardianship.org/documents/NGA_Policy_Statement_052016.pdf

RESOURCES

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLKdIRbjdmxgeDSVBZheFyrzlii9zjO3Mc>







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