

FIVE FAST FACTS FOR FRIDAY

5 Things to Know About Guardianship & Alternatives Options



- At 18, all individuals, including those with intellectual and developmental disabilities, reach the legal age of majority. This means that a parent can no longer make decisions legally on behalf of their children.
- Most people with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities can manage their own affairs with assistance and guidance from others, such as family and friends. If guardianship is necessary, it should be tailored to the person's needs.
- Supported Decision-Making is a way people can make their own decisions and stay in charge of their lives, while receiving any help they need to do so.
- Pro se means "without a petitioning attorney". The proposed guardian represents himself or herself in court.
- **For more information, visit: bit.ly/guardianshipgobag**