

Guardianship Information/Financial Planning/Future Care Planning

When a child with developmental disabilities becomes 18 years old, the parents are no longer the legal guardians. If your child will continue to need supervision and guidance as an adult, you may want to establish a legal guardian before your child reaches 18. You may also want information and advice on providing for your child's future financial needs. The following agencies can help you.

Agency	Address	Contact	Population Served	Description of Program
AHRC New York City	83 Maiden Lane 5th Floor New York, NY 10038	Referral + Information Center T: 212-780-4491/4493 E: referrals@ahrcnyc.org W: www.ahrcnyc.org	Individuals with IDD + their families	Help/referral with guardianship, estate planning + other legal issues. No fee.
ArchCare	1432 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10035	T: Reception 646-289-7700 W: www.archcare.org	Families of individuals with diagnosed or suspected DD	Support + guidance with application process for 17A guardianship, including provision of related assessments. Spanish language support groups for parents of individuals with DD, with a focus on future planning.
Disabled and Alone Life Services for the Handicapped	1440 Broadway 23rd Floor New York, NY 10018	T: 212-532-6740 or 800-995-0066 W: www.disabledandalone.org	Individuals with DD + their families	Supports families with future care planning, including special needs trusts and Life Services Personal Advocates.
New York Lawyers for the Public Interest (NYLPI)	151 W. 30th St. 11th Floor New York, NY 10001	Paola Martinez Boone T: 212-244-4664 W: www.nylpi.org	Individuals with DD + their families	NYLPI's Education Program, housed in the Disability Justice (DJ) program, offers free trainings for parents + advocates in the community on various legal and advocacy related topics.
NYSARC	29 British American Blvd., 2nd floor Latham, NY 12110	T: 518-439-8311 W: www.nysarc.org Trust program T: 800-735-8924 W: www.nysarc.trustservices.org	Individuals with DD and their families	Serves as a resource, offering information and assistance with future care planning alternatives, including, but not limited to: guardianship, supplemental needs trusts, health care proxies, Do Not Resuscitate Orders. Also offers corporate guardianship and trust services programs. Offers various Supplemental Needs Trust programs to assist with SSI + Medicaid eligibility.

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Surrogate Court for New York County	31 Chambers St. Room 301 New York, NY 10007	T: 1-800-268-7869 W: www.nycourts.gov/courts/1jd/surrogates	Families of individuals with IDD	Application processing for 17A guardianship. Do-it-yourself online program at http://nycourts.gov/courthelp//Guardianship/17A.shtml One-to-one do it yourself assistance provided in person once a week. Call to make an appointment.
UJA-Federation of New York	130 East 59 th Street New York, NY 10022	Irina Tuchina, LMSW Community Trust Administrator T: (212) 836-1150 E: tuchinai@UJAFEDNY.ORG	Individuals with disabilities and families	Special Needs Trust (SNT) to assist individuals with disabilities. Both third party and self-settled trusts are available. Personal Advocacy Services for the trust beneficiary are provided by an affiliated social service agency.
YAI	460 W. 34th St. 11th Floor New York, NY 10001	T: YAI LINK 212-273-6182 E: link@yai.org W: www.yai.org/cst	People diagnosed with DD or suspected DD	Psychological Evaluations for 17A Guardianship. Medicaid or private pay accepted.