Texas WINGS
Texas WINGS Operations

- Practical Aspects of WINGS Implementation & Role of the Coordinator

1. Identify stakeholders
2. Create steering committee
3. Identify initial priorities
4. Plan and hold WINGS meeting
5. Create workgroups
6. Develop recommendations
AARP
ADAPT of Texas (Self-Advocate Group)
Alzheimer’s Association
Arc of Texas
Dept. of Aging and Disability
Dept. of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services
Dept. of Family and Protective Services
Disability Rights Texas
Judges
Identify Stakeholders

- Social Security Administration
- State Bar of Texas – Probate Section
- Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities
- Texas Guardianship Association
- Texas Legal Services
- Texas Judicial Council
- Univ. of Texas Health Sciences Center – Geriatric Psychiatry Clinic
Create Steering Committee

- Chair of Texas Judicial Council’s Elders Committee
- Disability Rights Texas
- Texas Guardianship Association
- Office of Court Administration
- Department of Aging and Disability, Guardianship Services
- Retired Probate Judge
Identify Initial Priorities

WINGS Guardianship Survey

Texas WINGS Statewide Guardianship Survey

The National Guardianship Network has invited the Supreme Court of Texas to take a leadership role in adult guardianship reform—and specifically in the creation of an ongoing “Working Interdisciplinary Network of Guardianship Stakeholders” (WINGS). The purpose of WINGS is to bring together stakeholders from various disciplines with interest in the guardianship system for short-term and long-term planning and action to improve the state’s guardianship system.

This survey is intended to use your knowledge of Texas’ adult guardianship system to assist the Texas WINGS group in understanding which issues should be prioritized for short-term and long-term planning and action purposes. The survey should take 5 to 10 minutes to complete. Thank you for your assistance on this important project. Please contact Amanda Stites, Research Specialist, Texas Office of Court Administration, at 512-463-1643 or amanda.stites@txcourts.gov if you have any questions.
Plan & Hold WINGS Meeting

- Managed meeting logistics
- Reviewed survey results
- Ranked issues
- Conducted facilitated group discussions
- Developed initial recommendations
Create Workgroups

- Alternatives
- Support Services
- Person-Centered Assessment
Develop Recommendations

- Texas Judicial Council
- WINGS
- Workgroups
Role of the Coordinator

- Develop relationships
- Manage meeting logistics
- Compile and disseminate notes on meetings
- Publicize WINGS
- Support workgroups
- Plan for WINGS sustainability
Texas WINGS

SUCCESS
WHAT PEOPLE THINK IT LOOKS LIKE

SUCCESS
WHAT IT REALLY LOOKS LIKE
Texas WINGS — Results

- Legislation
  - Guardianship Alternatives and Supports and Services
  - Certificate of Medical Examination Modification
  - Guardianship Decisions about Residence
  - Applicant Attorney Training
  - Supported Decision-Making Agreements
Texas WINGS — Results

- Beyond Legislation
  - Texas Guardianship Cases: Improving Court Processes and Monitoring Practices in Texas Courts
Beyond Legislation

- Guardianship Compliance Pilot Project
- Develop materials for family guardians
- Review guardianship reporting requirements for Texas Judicial Council Monthly Report
WINGS & Court Administrators

- What WINGS can do for you
  - Serve as a resource on adult guardianship issues
  - Help you form a local WINGS group

- What you can do for WINGS
  - Create a local WINGS group in your jurisdiction
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