



is pleased to announce its

4-Part Parent Speaker Series SAVE THE DATE: KICK-OFF WEBINAR MARCH 27, 2023, at 3:00pm EST

Supporting Youth and Young Adults with Intellectual and/or Developmental Disabilities (IDD) with Decision-Making: What Every Parent Needs to Know

Featured Speakers

Allison Hall, Director of the Center for Youth Voice, Youth Choice

Morgan Whitlatch, Director of Supported Decision-Making Initiatives,
Center for Public Representation

Jane St. John, parent and lead developer of Charting the LifeCourse Framework,
University of Missouri, Kansas City - Institute for Human Development

Derek Heard, Georgia Youth Ambassador, and Teresa Heard, Derek's mother and supporter

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Future webinars will cover topics that include preparing for when your child turns 18, taking a closer look at supported decision-making, and supporting healthcare-related decision-making. Featured speakers will include content experts from the Center on Youth Voice, Youth Choice (CYVYC) as well as youth with intellectual or developmental disabilities (IDD) and their parents! We will hold all sessions from 3:00-4:00pm Eastern Time.

How will this speaker series benefit parents? CYVYC's speaker series will offer four easy-to-access webinars for parents, each conducted over Zoom and recorded. This series is intended for parents of youth and young adults with IDD who are interested in gathering information about the range of options for providing decision-making support. The series will review the facts and myths about these options, discuss ways to maximize youth decision-making and self-determination, and emphasize strategies and action steps for parents and youth. Stories from youth with IDD and their parents will serve as real world examples of how to use these options. It's never too early or too late to learn about alternatives!

For more information, email Jaimie Timmons at Jaimie.timmons@umb.edu

*What is the **Center on Youth Voice, Youth Choice**? Funded by the Administration on Community Living, US Department of Health and Human Services, CYVYC is a national youth resource center on alternatives to guardianship. CYVYC conducts research, advocacy, and education about alternatives and works with youth with IDD, families, supporters, and researchers from a variety of backgrounds. CYVYC represents a collaboration between the Institute for Community Inclusion, the [Center for Public Representation](#), [Self-Advocates Becoming Empowered](#), the [Human Services Research Institute](#), and the [Georgia Advocacy Office](#).



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