



is pleased to announce the second session in its

## 2024 Four-Part Speaker Series for Educators

**May 29, 2024, at 4:00pm EST**

***Planning Early for Turning 18: Self-Determination and Decision-Making for Students with Intellectual and/or Developmental Disabilities***

### Featured Speakers

[Allison Hall](#), Director of the Center on Youth Voice, Youth Choice (CYVYC), Institute for Community Inclusion

[Daria Domin](#), Research Associate and Knowledge Translation Manager, Guardianship Alternatives & Transfer-of-Rights (GATOR) project, Institute for Community Inclusion

[Kamisha Heriveaux](#), Self-advocate & Researcher, Guardianship Alternatives & Transfer-of-Rights (GATOR) project

[Morgan Whitlatch](#), Director of Supported Decision-Making Initiatives, Center for Public Representation

[Derek Heard](#), Georgia Youth Ambassador, and Teresa Heard, Derek's mother and supporter

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**Each attendee will receive a Certificate of Attendance**

Future webinars will cover a variety of topics that address how educators can support students and their families in preparing for decision-making in adulthood. **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), their parents, and transition specialists. Session times may vary to accommodate different time zones. All sessions will be recorded and archived on our project website.

### How will this speaker series benefit educators?

CYVYC's speaker series will offer four easy-to-access webinars for educators, each conducted over Zoom. This series is intended for educators of youth and young adults with IDD who are interested in learning more 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 student decision-making and self-determination, and emphasize strategies and action steps to implement in daily practice. Stories from youth with IDD, their parents, transition specialists, and educators will serve as real world examples of how these options can be used. **It's never too early or too late to learn about alternatives!**

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\*What is the [Center on Youth Voice, Youth Choice \(CYVYC\)](#)? 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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