

# Public Guardianship for Adults Age 65+

## The Roles and Responsibilities of Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs)

Assigning Public Guardianship is a time-consuming and complicated process. It involves extensive searches for family or friends who may be willing to help, and managing care between hospitals and long-term care facilities based on the patient's medical condition, available funding, and bed space. Below is a brief summary of the process through the experience of Alex, a 75-year-old stroke victim who can no longer care for himself.

