

**Session 1-  
Supported Decision-Making: From  
Justice for Jenny to Justice for All**

**This session will introduce the audience to the theory and practice of Supported Decision-Making (SDM). When people with disabilities use SDM, they work with friends, family, and professionals so they can understand their choices and make their own decisions.**

**Session 2-  
The Culture of Coordinated Support  
Model: Change the Culture, Change  
the World!**

**This session will demonstrate ways to create and implement effective and efficient support plans and services in Special Education, Vocational Rehabilitation, Health Care, and other life areas. Using the Culture of Coordinated Support Model, people can improve their services and ensure that providers work together, allowing them to specialize in the areas where they perform best - so people and providers can do better work in less time, with less effort and waste of resources.**

**Sessions:**

School Personnel and Support Agencies  
February 16 @ 3:45 PM  
February 25 @ 3:45 PM

Parents & Family Members  
March 2 @ 6:30 PM  
March 16 @ 6:30 PM

All sessions are interactive 60-90 minutes held on Zoom. Zoom link will be sent upon registration.

**Registration**

[tinyurl.com/342ma733](https://tinyurl.com/342ma733)

**More Information**

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## What is Supported Decision-Making?

Supported Decision-Making is a tool that allows people with disabilities to retain their decision-making capacity by choosing supports to help them make choices.

## How is Supported Decision-Making different from full guardianship?

Guardianship: The guardian makes all decisions about the person's life.

Supported Decision-Making: The person uses supports to accommodate any limitations they have in decision-making and makes the final choice about their own life.



Freedom, Choice and Supported Decision-Making:

What can schools do to help?

How can schools support families in this process?

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In 2013, Jonathan represented Margaret “Jenny” Hatch in the “Justice for Jenny” case - the first trial to hold that a person has the right to use Supported Decision-Making to make her own life choices instead of being subjected to a permanent, plenary guardianship. Since then, Jonathan has led SDM projects in New York, Ohio, California, Virginia, Vermont, and the District of Columbia. He has also educated and trained thousands of older adults, people with disabilities, families, and professionals across the country on SDM theory and practice.