

Aging Life Care Professionals® and the Guardianship Process

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Creating a profession

1983

“Long-Distance Care of Elderly Relatives a Growing Problem”
– *New York Times*

1985

First informal conference held in New York with about 50 attendees

1996

National Academy of Certified Care Managers formed
(CMC)

2012

NAPGCM becomes self-managed with more than 2,000 members

2015

NAPGCM rebrands as the Aging Life Care Association (ALCA)

2020

ALCA celebrates 35 years leading the Aging Life Care Profession

An Aging Life Care Professional® is...



Credentialed, experienced professionals skilled in providing personalized decision-making and support with a long view perspective for elders and persons with disability



Follows a strict Code of Ethics & Standards of Practice



Knowledgeable: specialized training, experience in the field, familiar with community resources

ALCA

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knowledge
areas



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Why Aging Life Care Professionals® are in demand?

Changing Demographics

- By 2030, one in five Americans will be ≥ 65 years old

A Changing Health Care System

- Cultural shift to person-centered care

Growing Sandwich Generation

- Meet the needs of families being pulled in two directions, often from long distances

How an Aging Life Care Professional® can help prior to guardianship appointment



During the hearing

- Provide expert testimony
- Act as court evaluator



After a Guardianship Hearing an Aging Life Care Professional® Can Provide:

Ongoing care management

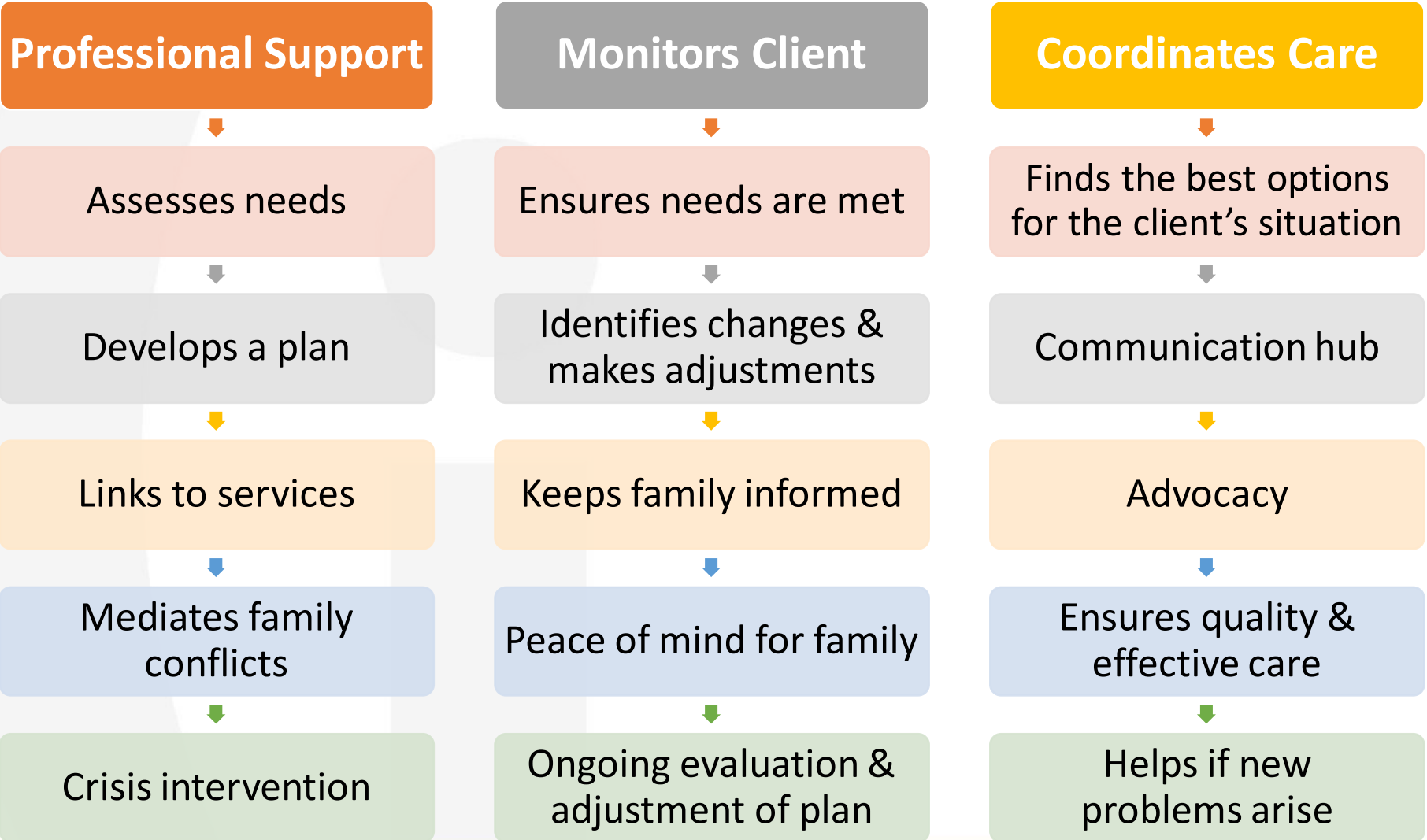
Transitioning out of nursing home to community

Out-of-state moves

Coordinate medical care

Provide reports to guardians for required court filings

How an Aging Life Care Professional® helps



When should YOU refer to an Aging Life Care Professional® ...

Abusive situation

Contested guardianship

Disagreement where AIP should live

Subtle or sudden changes in your ward

Transitions

You're too busy

How to refer to an expert in Aging Life Care™



Build partnerships with Aging Life Care Professionals in each area that you serve before you need an ALCP!



Set up an initial meeting to educate each other on the services that each provides, share values and set expectations.



Understand ways in which you each work with families and set expectations for communication.



Partnerships lead to strong caregiving teams with positive outcomes for the client and their family.

Case Studies



How to Find an Aging Life Care Professional®

Go to: aginglifecare.org



FIND AN AGING LIFE CARE EXPERT

Search our database of professionals:

- Zip code
- City
- State

Questions and Answers





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