“Denial is NOT a River in Egypt”: Issues that are not better left unsaid

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9:00 am – 12:00 pm

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Agenda
9:00 am – Registration & Continental Breakfast
9:30 am – Noon

  Importance of the issue of planning for the future
  Services and informal supports
  Supported decision making & guardianship
  Supplemental & special needs trusts
  Able Act

Speakers
Laura Butler, M.A., CRC
Karen Perch, Ph.D., J.D.
Carolyn Wheeler, M.S.

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**About the Speakers**

**Laura Smith Butler** has a BA in Healthcare Administration from Midway College and a Master’s degree in Rehabilitation Counseling from the University of Kentucky. She has worked with people with disabilities in various capacities for over 20 years. Currently, she works at the University of Kentucky’s Human Development Institute (HDI) where she is involved with the National Core Indicators, Supported Decision-Making, and the Quality of Life survey projects.

**Karen L. Perch, Ph.D., J.D.** is an estate planning attorney whose practice over twenty years has a focus on assisting people with disabilities and their families create the legal documents necessary to protect and safeguard those they love. Karen is also very knowledgeable in legal guardianship and Social Security issues. As the oldest of ten children, she has also been an advocate for her youngest sister who has an intellectual disability who currently lives in Massachusetts. Karen is a member of the Academy of Special Needs Planners and a founding member of The Arc of Central Kentucky. Karen also serves as Executive Director for Life Plan of Kentucky, Inc.

**Carolyn B. Wheeler** has a Master’s Degree in Special Education and over thirty years of experience in working with persons with developmental disabilities and their families. Since 1980, she has served on a voluntary basis as a legal guardian for three individuals with an intellectual disability. In this role, she has had to address these issues as well on a personal basis. Carolyn has directed a number of projects with the Human Development Institute at the University of Kentucky with a focus on assisting people with disabilities and their families to plan for the future. She was instrumental in the development of the Hart Supported Living program and also Life Plan of Kentucky, Inc., a pooled special needs trust.

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