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**Informational Letter Regarding
 Limited Guardianship**

Limited Guardianship is a process whereby a court makes a determination to grant a guardian the duty and right to make certain decisions, such as financial management or consent to medical care, on behalf of a minor child or incapacitated adult. It has come to the Board’s attention that the topic of limited guardianship may not be well understood by administrators and direct care staff in long term care facilities.

The Maine Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Elder Services designed a website that includes clear, consistent and current information on guardianship and its alternatives. Due to the important nature of this issue, the Board strongly encourages all administrators of long term care facilities to familiarize themselves with this website in order to become knowledgeable about and understand the nature of limited guardianship and its implications for residents of long term facilities in the state of Maine. The website address is: <http://www.maine.gov/guardianship/index.shtml>

For more information:

**Maine Department of Health and Human Services
 Office of Elder Services**

32 Blossom Lane, #11 State House Station
 Augusta, ME 04333-0011
 Local/Out-of-State 287-9200
 Toll Free In-State 1-800-262-2232
 TTY 1-800-606-0215

Disability Rights Center

Local/Out-of -State V/TTY626-2774
 Toll Free In-State V/TTY1-800-452-1948
 (Provides legal representation to eligible individuals with developmental disabilities or mental illness who wish to oppose the appointment of a guardian).

Legal Services for the Elderly, Inc.

Legal Hotline

Local/Out-of-State 623-1797
 Toll Free In-State (Voice/TTY) 1-800-750-5353
 (Provides legal representation to individuals aged 60 and older who wish to oppose the appointment of a guardian; provides general information and referrals to individuals aged 60 and older regarding guardianship and conservatorship).



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