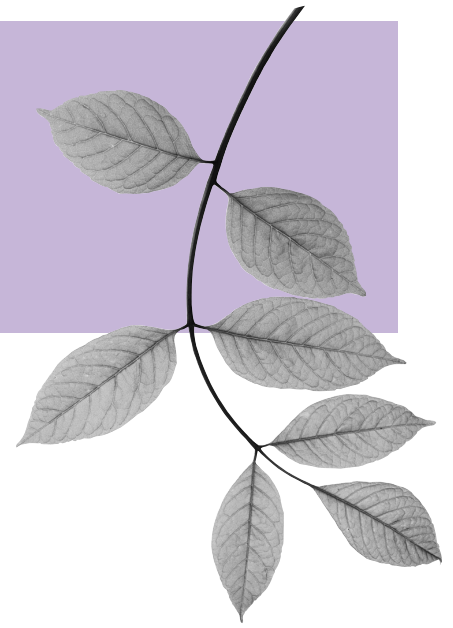


# Yukon tools and resources for older persons



## TOOLS

### Will

- Sets out who you want your money, property and belongings to go to after your death.
- You can make this with or without a lawyer.

### Bank Power of Attorney (POA)

- A form prepared at your bank that allows you to authorize a specific person to deal with your money at that particular bank.
- Only covers transactions at that bank.
- Can be changed by you at any time.

### Enduring Power of Attorney (EPA)

- Sets out who you want to make financial decisions for you in the event you become incapable of doing so yourself.
- Must be prepared by a lawyer. This is a safeguard to protect you from being coerced into signing an EPA.

### Advance Directive

- Allows you to set out your wishes for future health care.
- Allows you to appoint a “proxy” to make health care decisions for you in the event you become incapable of doing so yourself.
- An Advance Directive won’t come into effect until your health care provider determines you are not capable of making your own health care decisions.

### Supported Decision-Making Agreement

- A written document that names a specific person — an “associate” — to help you in your decision-making.
- Agreement lists types of decisions you want the associate to help you with and also lists any kinds of decisions you do not want help with.

### Representative Agreement

- A written agreement that authorizes a “representative(s)” to make limited day-to-day financial or personal decisions on your behalf.
- You must list the decisions you want made for you in the agreement.

### Adult Protection Order (APO)

- Court-ordered conditions designed to reduce your risk of abuse or neglect — an example would be an APO that prohibits an abuser from residing at your home.

### Access Order

- An order made by a judge that allows an Adult Protection Social Worker entry into a home to inquire into a report of abuse or neglect.
- This order is used in cases where entry has been denied or there are reasonable grounds to believe that entry will be denied.

## Adult Guardianship

- A last resort.
- An application can be made to the Yukon Supreme Court to appoint a guardian for you if it is determined you are no longer able to manage affairs in areas of your life, such as financial, personal-care, legal or health decisions.
- An incapability assessment must accompany the application.
- The court will review your potential guardian's suitability.

## RESOURCES FOR SUPPORT AND CONNECTION

### Seniors' Services/Adult Protection Unit

204 Black Street, #101  
456-3946

### RCMP

emergencies: 911 (in Whitehorse)  
or your community prefix + 5555  
non-emergency complaints: 667-5555  
or your community prefix + 5555

### Adult Services Unit (emergency assistance)

3168 3rd Avenue  
667-5674

### Victim Services/Family Violence Prevention Unit

301 Jarvis Street, 2nd floor  
667-8500

### Yukon Home Care Program

3168 3rd Avenue  
667-5774

### Public Guardian and Trustee

2130 2nd Avenue, 3rd floor  
667-5366

### Many Rivers Counselling and Support Services

4071 4th Avenue  
667-2970

### Yukon Council on Aging (YCOA)

Seniors Information Centre  
4061B 4th Avenue (Sport Yukon building)  
668-3383; toll-free 1-866-582-9707  
email: ycoa@yknet.yk.ca

### Yukon Public Legal Education Association

(The Law Line)  
2130 2nd Avenue, main floor  
667-4305; toll-free 1-800-661-0408 ext. 4305

### Yukon Legal Services Society

2131 2nd Avenue, Suite 203  
667-5210; toll-free 1-800-661-0408, ext. 5210  
email: administration@legalaids.yk.ca

### Golden Age Society

4061A 4th Avenue (Sport Yukon building)  
668-5538

### ElderActive Recreation Association

4061 4th Avenue, Y1A 1H1  
(mailing address — no actual office)  
633-5010

### Kwanlin Dün Health Centre

35 McIntyre Drive  
668-7289

### Council of Yukon First Nations

Elders and Youth Advisory Council  
2166 2nd Avenue  
393-9200

### Kaushee's Place/Yukon Women's Transition Home

emergency: 668-5733  
(collect calls accepted from outside Whitehorse)  
non-emergency: 633-7720  
email: edkaushees@whtvcable.com

In communities outside of Whitehorse, you can contact the Health Centre, Regional Social Worker, or First Nation Wellness Worker.



Everyone deserves to be treated with respect and dignity

You are not alone — help and support are available

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