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**Parent Workshop Series 2009 - 2010**

**Estate Planning and Guardianship**

**November 9, 2009 7:00 p.m. Hampton Inn, 319 Speen Street, Natick, MA 01760**

**Presenter: Attorney Ken Shulman with Day Pitney, LLP**

Please join us to discuss estate planning and guardianship issues for your child. Many programs that benefit people with disabilities have strict financial eligibility criteria and your children can be disqualified from receiving benefits if your estate plan is not structured correctly. Confusion abounds in this area and it is critical to understand the relevant public benefit programs and entitlements and to have proper legal and financial plans in place. In addition, we will examine the new Massachusetts guardianship law that has dramatically changed the landscape here and made it more difficult to obtain guardianship over your adult child with a disability. We will discuss the practical implications of this new law and its impact on you and your child. It is never too early to start planning. In this area, what you don't know, can hurt you!

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