

# Understanding Decisional Capacity:

## How a Neuropsychologist Can Evaluate and Legal Options for Substitute Decision Making

By attending this session, participants will learn

1. How neuropsychologists objectively evaluate cognitive functioning for the purposes of diagnosis and treatment planning and when to engage a neuropsychologist.
2. The primary uses of a neuropsychological assessment and the major domains of cognition and emotion assessed by neuropsychologists.
3. The levels of decisional capacity needed to engage in the contract of power of attorney for healthcare and property.
4. Rights and responsibilities of an agent under power of attorney including those that the agent doesn't have.
5. The guardianship process and the role, authority, and powers of a guardian.

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Dr. All received her PhD in clinical psychology with a specialization in neuropsychology from Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine & Science and completed her pre-doctoral internship and 2-year post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey. Dr. All founded CCCW in 2012 to provide the “what’s next” after a diagnosis of cognitive decline, filling what she saw as a much-needed treatment gap.

Ms. Franco, who also has a Master’s Degree in Clinical Psychology, has been licensed to practice law since 2006. Prior to joining the firm in September of 2015, she practiced for nine years with the Cook County Public Guardian. This experience provided her with a broad background in probate matters, litigation, and client counseling. Her clinical background provides her with a unique perspective on elder law and capacity issues.

**3.0 CEU to nurses, professional counselors, social workers and nursing home administrators.**

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**Friday, April 13, 2018**

8:30am – 9:00am – Sign-in and Breakfast  
9:00am – 12:00pm - Presentations

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