

# Helping Someone Close to You: What Are Your Legal Options?

Comparative table

Legal option					
 <b>What?</b>	Help a person with their affairs, without signing or deciding on their behalf	Manage a person's assets on their behalf, within the limits established in the power of attorney	Take care of an incapacitated person and manage their affairs	Perform a specific act on behalf of an incapacitated person	Take care of an incapacitated person and manage their affairs
 <b>To help who?</b>	Adult person who is capable	Adult person who is capable	Incapacitated adult person who prepared a protection mandate when they were capable	Adult person who is incapacitated	Adult person who is incapacitated
 <b>Steps to take</b>	All these legal tools can be put in place with or without the help of legal professionals.				
	Submit a request with the Public Curator for your assistant to be officially recognized  ● The court does not intervene	Sign a document called a "power of attorney"  ● The Public Curator and the court don't intervene  ● In certain cases, the power of attorney must be done with the help of a notary	Ask the court to homologate the protection mandate  ● Medical and psychosocial evaluations are necessary  ● Must prepare an inventory of the person's property  ● Must make a report to someone else (for accountability) at least every three years	Ask the court to appoint the suggested temporary representative  ● Medical and psychosocial evaluations are necessary  ● No need to prepare an inventory of the person's property  ● Must make a report after completing the act (for accountability)	Ask the court to appoint a tutor  ● Medical and psychosocial evaluations are necessary  ● Family and friends intervene to choose the tutor  ● Must prepare an inventory of the person's property  ● Must make a report once a year to someone else (for accountability)

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