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## What are standby guardians, short-term guardians and temporary guardians?

A short-term guardian of a disabled adult is designated by the acting guardian without court approval to assume the guardian's duties as guardian of the person (but not as guardian of the estate, except as to benefits from any governmental unit or charity) when the guardian is unavailable or unable to carry out his/her duties. The short-term guardian of a disabled adult may act for a cumulative total of 60 days within any 12-month period.

With respect to a disabled adult if, prior to the appointment of a guardian, there is a showing of necessity for the immediate welfare and protection of the alleged disabled person or his/her estate, the court may appoint a temporary guardian for up to 60 days. The temporary guardian has all of the powers and duties of a guardian of the person or estate as are specifically provided by court order.

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