The Use of Guardianships & Conservatorships for Individuals with Fluctuating Capacity

Navigating the rocky waters when an adult is in temporary crisis

A child who has stopped taking a necessary medication, is harming him or herself, or who desperately needs medical assistance but can’t—or won’t—get it. These scenarios are every parent’s worst nightmare, and are all the more complicated when that child is an adult. What can family members do when a grown-up loved one is going through a (hopefully) temporary crisis? How can lawyers navigate this new territory in light of evolving laws and help family members get what they need, be it a medical certificate or access to vital information?

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