

POOLED SPECIAL NEEDS TRUST

JOINDER AGREEMENT

FOR NURSING HOME MEDICAID AND GROUP HOME ACCOUNTS

FOR

BENEFICIARY/GRANTOR

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Trust IBA No.	Acceptance Date:	,20
State:	Amendment Filed: □ Yes	\square No
	Date Filed:	

By this Joinder Agreement, on the _____day of _____, 20____the undersigned hereby enrolls in and adopts the Master Trust indicated below, a copy of which has been received and incorporated herein by reference and hereinafter referred to as the "Trust":

Please answer all questions in this Joinder Agreement. If a question does not apply, insert "N/A" as your answer. Also please place a checkmark in all applicable boxes.

1. **Definitions**

The definitions of the terms used in this Joinder Agreement are located in the Appendix.

2. Trust Established by:

- □ Disabled Individual (Beneficiary/Grantor)
- □ Attorney-in-Fact
- \Box Parent \Box Grandparent \Box Guardian \Box Court

3. Beneficiary/Grantor:

Name: Address:				
U.S. Citizen:	□ Yes	□ No	State of Residence:	
Green Card:	□ Yes	\Box No	□ Other:	
Social Security	Number:			
Daytime Phone:			Evening Phone:	
Date of Birth:			Age:	
Place of birth:			-	

Is the Beneficiary a minor or incapacitated? \Box Yes \Box No

(If answer is Yes, the Trust must be established by a Statutory Representative, Attorney-in-Fact under a valid power of attorney, Guardian (with Letters of Guardianship) or Court Order.)

4. Parent/Grandparent

	\Box Mother \Box Father \Box Grandmother \Box Grandfather					
	Name					
	SSN					
	Address:					
		Evening Phone:				
		Fax:				
5.		ide copy of Durable Power of Attorney.)				
	Name					
	Address:					
		Evening Phone:				
		Fax:				
	E-Mail:					
6.	Guardian (Please provide copy					
	Address:					
	Davtime Phone:	Evening Phone:				
		Fax:				
7.	Court Order (Please provide co	opy of Court Order)				
	Name of Court:					
	Address:					
	Telephone:					
	Fax:	E-Mail:				
	Case No.:					
	Name of Judge:					

8. Contribution to Trust

A minimum contribution is required to open/maintain the *Individual Beneficiary Account*. (IBA). Amounts may vary due to cost of living increases

□ **Income Contribution**: If the Grantor intends to use this trust to reduce the beneficiary's income for purposes of qualifying for one or more Medicaid program, please provide the gross monthly income from all sources of income:

Sources of income:(Gross Amounts)	\$
(07055 Amounts)	\$
	\$
	\$
Total gross monthly income	\$
Lump Sum Contribution:	
Amount: \$ Date:	
Source:	
□ Structured Settlement (Please provide a copy of the Settlemen	
Commencement Date of Suit:	
Settlement Date of Suit:	
Settlement Amount: \$	
Settlement Terms:	
Annuitant:	
Lump Sum Payment: \$	
Periodic Payments: Monthly Quarterly Annually Amount	: \$
Name of Insurance Company: Address:	
Contact Person:	
Tax ID No	
Fax.: E-Mail:	
Broker, if any:	
Address:	
Tax ID No.	
Telephone:	
Fax.:E-Mail:	
□ Other Arrangement: (Provide details)	

9. Beneficiary Advocate

Relationship: Beneficiary/Grantor			
\Box Attorney-in-Fact \Box Other Person			
Name			
Address:			
Daytime Phone:	Evening Phon	ne:	
Cell:	Fax:		
E-Mail:			
Successor Beneficiary Advocate:			
Relationship: Beneficiary/Grantor	□ Parent	□ Grandparent	Guardian
□ Attorney-in-Fact □ Other Person	n	-	
Name			
Address:			
Daytime Phone:	Evening Phon	ne:	
Cell:	Fax:		
E-Mail:			
(If no Beneficiary Advocate is named on	r able to serve,	AGED and/or the Tru	ustee may
select and appoint a Successor Benefici	· · · · ·		•
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becomes incapacitated and a guardian is appointed, the guardian will be given preference as the Beneficiary Advocate.)

10. Beneficiary's Impairment or Disability

Nature of impairment or disability:	□ Total and Permanent	\Box Unable to work
(Describe)		

Date Incurred:		
Diagnosis:		
Prognosis:		
Estimated Length of Time:		
Special Requirements:		
Primary Care Physician:		
Name		
Address:		
Daytime Phone:	Evening Phone:	
Cell:		
E-Mail:		

11. Beneficiary's Current Benefits

- □ None
- \square Intend to apply for: \square SSI \square Medicaid Medical Benefit \square Medicaid Nursing Home Benefit
- □ Social Security Disability Insurance ("SSDI") □ N/A Monthly Amount: \$_____Claim Number: _____
- □ Social Security Retirement □ N/A Monthly Amount: \$_____Claim Number: _____
- \Box Section 8 Housing \Box N/A

□ Other forms of Government Assistance or Benefits received by the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Spouse or some other family member living in the same household:

 \square N/A

Benefit	Claim No.	Source	

12. Distribution of Remainder Upon Termination of Beneficiary's IBA

Upon the death of a Trust Beneficiary, verified by a copy of the deceased Beneficiary's death certificate, any amounts that will remain in a deceased Beneficiary's IBA shall be retained by the Trust as surplus Trust property and administered and distributed by the Trustee in its sole and absolute discretion in accord with the following provisions;

- a) for the direct or indirect benefit of other Beneficiaries;
- b) to add disabled persons, as defined in 42 U.S.C. §1382c(a)(3) to the Trust as Beneficiaries;
- c) to provide disabled persons, as defined in 42 U.S. C. §1382c(a)(3), with equipment, medication, education or other services deemed suitable for such persons by the Trustee; or
- d) to provide disabled persons, as defined in 42 U.S. C. §1382c(a)(3) with professional guardianship services.

13. Amendments to Joinder Agreement

The provisions of this Joinder Agreement are not subject to amendment by the Payor, the Beneficiary/Grantor and/or the Beneficiary Advocate. The Trustee, however, may from time to time amend this Joinder Agreement upon 30 days written notice to the Payor, the Beneficiary/Grantor and/or the Beneficiary Advocate, as may be applicable for the purpose of the administration and construction of the provisions of the Joinder Agreement and to comply with state and federal law. An amendment made for the purpose of complying with a state law and/or requirements of a specific government agency may be accomplished by a formal amendment or by an addendum to the Joinder Agreement. There may be some states, however, in which the Trust will not be able to be used because of the laws of that state or the requirements of a government agency in that state.

14. Taxes

The Trustee has made no representation as to the estate, gift or income tax consequences affecting funds contributed or gifted to the Trust. The Trustee has, however, been advised that each IBA may be treated as an individual grantor trust for income tax purposes. Independent legal and professional tax advice is, therefore, recommended.

15. Money Managers

The Trustee in its sole discretion may recruit, select, engage, terminate, and change one or more money managers without the consent of the Trust Beneficiary and/or Beneficiary Advocate.

16. Fees and Charges Payable to A.G.E.D and Trustee

The Trust Beneficiary agrees to pay those fees and charges each month for the administration of Trust Beneficiary's IBA (and other charges that may be required from time to time) in accordance with the attached Trust Fee Agreement between AGED and the Trust Beneficiary or on behalf of the Trust Beneficiary. The Trustee is authorized to pay such fees and expenses from the Trust Beneficiary's IBA to AGED and itself.

17. Disbursements from the Individual Benefit Account

The IBA will be managed and administered for the sole benefit of each Trust Beneficiary, but the investments of the IBA may, in the sole discretion of AGED and the trustee, be pooled with other Trust IBA's. Disbursements for any non-support items for the benefit of the Beneficiary may be made when a Beneficiary Advocate believes such supplemental needs are not being provided by any public or government agency, or are not otherwise being provided from any other source available to the Beneficiary, but subject to the discretion of the Trustee. The Grantor recognizes disbursements are discretionary by the Trustee. With this in mind, the Grantor expresses the following desires as to how funds in a Beneficiary's IBA might be used:

NoneSupplemental Services as described in the Trust.

□ Specific Supplemental Services Requested below:

□ Other Requiremen	s:			
Amount of estimated	monthly disburseme	ents that will be r	needed:	
□ None.	5			
□ \$ pe	er month for the purp	ose(s) of:		
1	1 1			
□ Requests will b	e made on an as nee	ded basis.		

18. Acknowledgments

The Grantor/Beneficiary, individually, and on behalf of the Beneficiary (the "Parties") acknowledge and agree that:

- a) They have received copies of the Master Trust and this Joinder Agreement, and have been advised to have these documents reviewed by an independent attorney representing Grantor/Beneficiary's best interests.
- b) The Parties acknowledge that neither AGED nor the Trustee are licensed or skilled in the field of social services. They further acknowledge and agree that AGED and the Trustee may conclusively rely upon the representations of the Parties and the Beneficiary Advocate, and/or other persons that may give assistance to the Trustee to identify programs that may be of social, financial, developmental, health care or other assistance to or for the benefit of the Beneficiary.
- c) The Parties recognize and acknowledge the uncertainty and changing nature of the guidelines, laws, regulations and rules pertaining to government assistance benefits. They each agree that the Trustee will not in any event be liable for any loss of benefits as long as the Trustee acts in good faith.
- d) The Parties acknowledge and agree that A.G.E.D, the Trustee, its officers, directors, advisory council, employees, agents and their heirs, legal representatives, successors and assigns (hereinafter referred to as "Qualified Persons") shall not in any event be liable to the Parties or any other person for their acts as long as their acts are reasonable and made in good faith.
- e) The Parties acknowledge that upon execution of this Joinder Agreement by the Parties and the funding of the IBA for the Trust Beneficiary, the contribution is irrevocable. The Parties further acknowledge that after the funding of an IBA, they shall have no further interest in and do thereby relinquish and release all rights in, to, control over, and all incidents of ownership and interest of any kind or nature in and to the contributed assets and all income thereon.

19. Addendum or Addenda Attached

□ Yes □ No Describe: _____

20. Representations of the Parties

The Parties represent, warrant and agree that:

- a) The Parties have not been provided nor are they relying upon any representation of or any legal advice given by AGED or the Trustee in deciding to execute this Joinder Agreement, but have obtained independent legal advice.
- b) The Parties have entered into this Joinder Agreement voluntarily as their own free act and deed, and;
- c) If the Parties have not had the Master Trust and the Joinder Agreement reviewed by an independent attorney, they have voluntarily waived and relinquished such right;

21. Miscellaneous

The Parties also acknowledge the following:

- a) Receipt of a true and correct copy of the Master Trust and this Joinder Agreement;
- b) They have reviewed and understand the legal, economic and tax effects of the Master Trust and Joinder Agreement; and

22. Effective Date

The effective date of this Joinder Agreement shall be the date on which the Joinder Agreement is accepted by AGED. Provided, however, if the Contributed Amount is not received by the Trustee, AGED shall have the right to rescind its acceptance and its obligations under the Master Trust and the Joinder Agreement shall be cancelled, without further obligation on its part. Upon cancellation, all fees due and payable shall have been paid in full.

THE BALANCE OF THIS PAGE HAS BEEN INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Grantor has reviewed and signed this Joinder Agreement, understands it and agrees to be bound by its terms. AGED has signed this Joinder Agreement effective on the date as first above written.

	□ Disabled I □ Attorney-i	Individual (Beneficiary/Grantor)
		Grandparent \Box Guardian \Box Court
Witnesses:		
Sign	Sign	
Print Name	Print Name	
Sign	Address	
Print Name		
State of		
County of		
The foregoing instrument was acknowled		
by, $_$ \Box who is personally known to me or \Box w	the has produced	
identification.	no has produced	, as
Sign		
Print		
Notary Public, State of		(Seal)
My commission expires:		
Signat	ures below this line are for .	AGED
Witnesses:		tes & Guardians For the Elderly & d, Inc., Trustee
Sign	Sign	
Print Name	Print Na	nme
Sign		
Print Name	1607 Ch	nerrywood Lane
	 Longwo	od, FL 32750
State of Florida County of	-	
The foregoing instrument was acknowled	lged before me this day	/ of, 20,
by,,	of the ADVOCATE	S & GUARDIANS FOR THE ELDERLY
& DISABLED, Inc., a Florida not-for-proknown to me or \Box who has produced	offit corporation, on behalf of	$$ the corporation, \Box who is personally as identification.
Sign		
Print		
Notary Public, State of Florida		(Seal)
My commission expires:		
Pooled Special Needs Trust		Revision Date: 06/09/2015
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APPENDIX A DEFINITIONS OF TERMS

1. "Attorney-in-Fact" means the person duly nominated in a Durable Power of Attorney having the power to act on behalf of the Beneficiary for all financial purposes, including the execution of the Master Trust, the Joinder Agreement and the Trust Fee Agreement. The Durable Power of Attorney is validly executed, and has not been rescinded, revoked or cancelled and the nominating principal has not been adjudicated incompetent and/or there is no pending proceeding pending to determine competence at the time this document is executed.

2. "**Beneficiary**" means a disabled person as defined in §1614(a)(3) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. §1382c (a)3)) and who qualifies as a recipient of services and benefits under this Trust under 42 U.S.C. §1382b, as amended by the Foster Care Independence Act of 1999 (FCIA '99), and any amendments thereto. If the Social Security Administration or any authorized governmental entity has not made a determination that the beneficiary is a disabled person, the Trustee is authorized to accept such beneficiary within its discretion if it has made a determination that the beneficiary is a disabled person, as defined in 42 U.S.C. §1382c(a)(3).

3. **"Beneficiary Advocate"** means the person and successor persons, as may be applicable, named in the Joinder Agreement. The Beneficiary Advocate can, for example, be the Beneficiary himself or herself, but preferable the Beneficiary's Legal Representative or another person other than the Trust Beneficiary should act as the Beneficiary Advocate. The Trustee is authorized to communicate and to obtain advice and instructions from the Beneficiary Advocate with regard to a Trust Beneficiary's investment interests, health care, social activities, care management, residential options and other issues relating to the life care of the Trust Beneficiary. Provided, however, the Trustee has the right to exercise its discretion whenever the Trustee believes appropriate even though contrary to the advice of the Beneficiary Advocate.

4. **"Contributed Amount"** means the initial amount and any subsequent amounts contributed or transferred to the Trust and placed in a Trust Beneficiary's IBA.

5. **"Disabled Person"** means a person having a physical or mental impairment that complies with the requirements of 42 U.S.C. §1382c(a)(3) set forth in item 3 above.

6. **"Government Assistance"** means any and all services, medical care, benefits and financial assistance that may be provided by any county, state or federal agency, now or in the future, to or on behalf of a Beneficiary. Such benefits include but are not limited to the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments, Medicaid or other similar governmental programs providing public and/or medical assistance benefits, programs covering mental health, retardation and persons with disabilities.

7. "**Grantor**" **refers** to the person (Beneficiary, parent, grandparent, guardian or court order) who on behalf of the Beneficiary has the legal authority to adopt the Master Trust and Joinder Agreement. For the purposes of the Trust, a Beneficiary is considered to be the Grantor for all purposes and either name (Beneficiary or Grantor) may sometime be used interchangeably. The Beneficiary is considered to be the Grantor even though the contribution is made on the Beneficiary's behalf by a Beneficiary's parent, a Beneficiary's grandparent, a Beneficiary's guardian, or by a court regardless of the source.

8. **"Individual Benefit Account"** means the financial account within the Trust maintained for the benefit of an individual Beneficiary and shall be equal to the initial value of the assets contributed on the Beneficiary's behalf less disbursements made on behalf of the Beneficiary, increased by earnings and appreciation, less taxes, expenses, depreciation and fees as set forth in the Joinder Agreement. The letters IBA refers to the Beneficiary's Individual Benefit Account.

9. **"Joinder Agreement"** is the agreement by which a Beneficiary enrolls as a participant in the Trust. The agreement is between the Trustee and the Beneficiary (or the Beneficiary's Legal Representative). The Joinder Agreement establishes an IBA with the Trust for the benefit of a disabled Trust Beneficiary. The Joinder Agreement also contains information about the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Legal Representative (if any) and the Beneficiary Advocate and the Remainder Beneficiaries, as well as information about the rights and obligations of the Parties. The Trustee and the Beneficiary or

the Beneficiary's Legal Representative are required to sign the Joinder Agreement.

10. **"Legal Representative"** means a legal guardian, natural guardian, conservator, agent acting under a durable power of attorney, trustee, representative payee, custodian under the Uniform Gift or Transfers to Minors Act of any state, or other person caring for a Beneficiary who can act on behalf of a Beneficiary for the purpose of making binding agreements with the Trust.

11. **"Money Managers"** refers to the financial organization managing the assets in the IBA in accordance with federal and state law and providing investment advice.

12. "Parties" refers to the persons who executed the Joinder Agreement and the Beneficiary Advocate.

13. **"Reimbursement Claims" or "Government Reimbursement Claims"** refers to the applicable claims or liens of any governmental agency which is entitled to reimbursement for benefits paid to or for the benefit of a Trust Beneficiary because of being a participant of the Trust.

14. **"Remainder Amount"** means all of the remaining funds, if any, in an IBA of a deceased Trust Beneficiary or an IBA that has been terminated.

15. **"Required Documents"** refers to any documents described in the application to join the Trust, in the Joinder Agreement or otherwise required by the Trustee.

16. **"Successor Trustee"** means a Trustee that has been appointed to succeed the functions and obligations of the original or initial Trustee. The term Successor Trustee includes the preceding definition and applies to each Successor Trustee.

17. **"Supplemental Services"** includes disbursements for "special needs," "supplemental needs" and/or "supplemental care" all of which shall mean non-support disbursements and may be used interchangeably. It is not the intention of AGED as Settlor and Trustee nor of the Grantor to displace public or private financial assistance that may otherwise be available to a Beneficiary and to limit the Trustee's disbursements to those for a Beneficiary's Supplemental Services for which there are no available public funds. Examples of Supplemental Services are described in Appendix B of the Trust.

18. **"Trust" or "Master Trust"** refers to the Amended and Restated Declaration of Pooled Special Needs Trust dated July 1, 2004, created by Advocates & Guardians for the Elderly & Disabled, Inc., a Florida not-for-profit corporation.

19. **"Trust Application"** means the application completed and signed by a Beneficiary or the Beneficiary's Legal Representative when applying to become a Beneficiary of the Trust.

20. **"Trust Operating Account"** means the account into which the Remainder Amount is paid when a Beneficiary's IBA is terminated. This account is owned by AGED and funds can be transferred to AGED to be used by AGED to carry out its tax exempt purposes.

21. **"Trust Remainder Share"** means the amount of a Trust Beneficiary's IBA Remainder Amount retained by the Trust in the Trust Operating Account as the Trust's share of its remainder, beneficial or contingent interest in the Trust and the Trust Beneficiary's IBA as set forth in Section 2.1 above.

22. **"Trustee"** means AGED as long as AGED is serving as the Trustee and its successor or successors in such capacity. If AGED is serving as the Trustee, it may sometimes be described interchangeably as "AGED" or "Trustee." If AGED is not serving as Trustee, then any reference to Trustee shall be to the then acting Trustee.

23. **"Co-Trustee"** means a person, entity or both selected by the Trustee and named as such to assist with the management, administration, allocation and/or disbursement of Trust assets and property.