



Colorado Office of the
Child's Representative

Guardians Ad Litem (GALS)

SOME PARTS OF A GAL'S JOB

- Investigating the best interests of children/youth.
- Talking with children/youth about what they want.
- Counseling (providing children/youth advice) about what they want.
- **Sharing what children/youth want with others (unless children/youth ask them not to).**
- Deciding what they believe is in the best interests of children/youth.
- **Advocating (fighting) for what they believe is in the best interests of children/youth.**



CONFIDENTIALITY (SECRETS)

GALs may share things children/youth say if sharing them is in the best interests of children/youth.



Counsel for Youth (CFY)

SOME PARTS OF A CFY'S JOB

- Investigating what children/youth want.
- Talking with children/youth about what they want.
- Counseling (providing children/youth advice) about what they want.
- **Advocating (fighting) for what children/youth want.**



CONFIDENTIALITY (SECRETS)

CFY can usually keep things children/youth say confidential (secret).