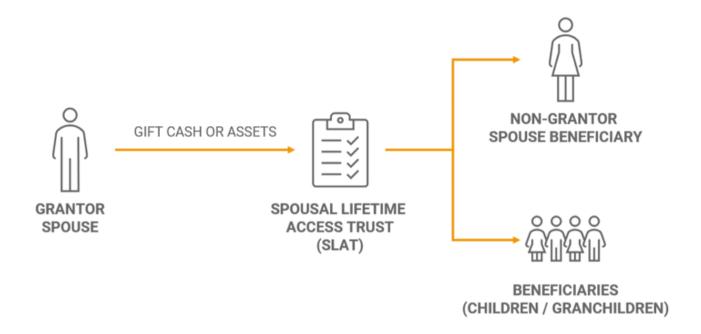
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## **Prospect Conversation**

Financial Advisor: Good morning, Sarah and David. I hope you're doing well. I've reviewed your financial goals and concerns, and I believe I have an excellent solution for you. Have you heard of **Spousal Lifetime Access Trusts**, or SLATs?

Sarah (**Prospect**): Hello. Yes, we've heard about trusts, but we're not sure how SLATs can benefit us. Can you explain further?

Financial Advisor: Certainly, Sarah. SLATs are a powerful estate planning tool that can provide you both with significant benefits. By each establishing a SLAT for the other, you can achieve **several** key objectives.

David (**Prospect**): We're concerned about estate taxes and protecting our wealth for our children. How will SLATs address these concerns?

Financial Advisor: Great question, David. By transferring assets into the SLATs, those assets are effectively removed from both of your taxable estates. This means that the **growth** of the assets in the trust **and** the principal itself will **not** be subject to estate taxes upon your passing, potentially reducing the estate tax burden for your beneficiaries.

Sarah (**Prospect**): That's interesting. But will we still have access to the assets in the SI ATs if we need them?

Financial Advisor: Absolutely, Sarah. One of the significant benefits of SLATs is that the spouse who is the **primary** beneficiary (i.e., the **non-grantor spouse**) can **access** income or distributions from the trust for their support and well-being during their lifetime. This **ensures** that **both** of you have financial security **and** access to the trust assets if needed.

David (**Prospect**): I see the benefits, but what happens if the assets in the SLATs appreciate over time?

Financial Advisor: That's a great point, David. Any appreciation on the assets held within the SLATs is also removed from your taxable estates. This means that if the assets experience significant growth, you can potentially save a substantial amount on estate taxes, leaving more wealth for your chosen beneficiaries.

Sarah (**Prospect**): And what about providing for our children and future generations?

Financial Advisor: Another advantage of SLATs is that upon the death of the second spouse, any remaining assets in the trust can pass to your chosen beneficiaries, such as your children or grandchildren, without being subject to estate taxes. This allows you to preserve your wealth and benefit future generations.

David (Prospect): This all sounds very promising. We're interested in establishing SLATs.

**Financial Advisor**: I'm glad to hear that, Sarah and David! By setting up SLATs, you're taking a significant step towards securing your financial future and preserving wealth for your loved ones. As your financial advisor, I'll guide you through the process, help make sure it's properly funded and ensure that the trusts are structured to meet your specific needs and goals. You're making a wise decision for your family's financial well-being. Let's get started right away!