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# Colorado Office of Public Guardianship

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## DISCUSSION FOR THE DECEMBER 12, 2018 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE MEETING OF THE OPG COMMISSION

Questions Presented to the OPG Commission from  
the Joint Budget Committee  
for the December 18, 2018 JBC Meeting

**OPG Question 1. Who does the guardianship work now for incompetent people who lack the resources to pay for a guardian and lack friends or family who can serve as guardians?**

**OPG Question 2. Are there state or local offices that provides these services?**

**OPG Question 3. How many people are estimated to need these services?**

**OPG Question 4. Could this be partly or fully funded through probate fees? What level of fee would be required?**

**OPG Question 5. Could the pilot project be contracted out to the private sector rather than using state employees? Could a pilot with private contractors answer the important questions that need to be answer?**

Documents that Assisted in Responding to the Questions Include:

Elder Abuse Task Force Report (November 2012), available at  
<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/sites/default/files/Elder%20Abuse%20TYF%20Final%20Report.pdf>

Office of Public Guardianship Advisory Committee Recommendations (2014), available at  
[https://www.courts.state.co.us/userfiles/file/Court\\_Probation/Supreme\\_Court/Committees/Public\\_Guardian/2014\\_OfficeofPublicGuardianship-FinalReport\(2\).pdf](https://www.courts.state.co.us/userfiles/file/Court_Probation/Supreme_Court/Committees/Public_Guardian/2014_OfficeofPublicGuardianship-FinalReport(2).pdf)

Office of Public Guardianship Advisory Committee Recommendations for Pilot Program (July 2014), available at

[https://www.courts.state.co.us/userfiles/file/Court\\_Probation/Supreme\\_Court/Committees/Public\\_Guardian/OfficeofPublicGuardianshipFinalReportandRecommendationsJuly312.pdf](https://www.courts.state.co.us/userfiles/file/Court_Probation/Supreme_Court/Committees/Public_Guardian/OfficeofPublicGuardianshipFinalReportandRecommendationsJuly312.pdf)

SAPGA Strategic Action Plan on Aging (November 2016), available at

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/sites/default/files/SAPGA-Nov-2016-Strategic-Plan.pdf>

2018 Interim Report of the OPG Commission (September 2018), available at

<https://www.courts.state.co.us/userfiles/file/Media/OPG%20Commission/2018%20INTERIM%20REPORT%20FINAL%20-%20FULLY%20EXECUTED%20-%209-7-2018.pdf>