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STAKEHOLDER ADVISORY PANEL APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in serving as a member of the Stakeholder Advisory Panel of the Colorado Office of Public Guardianship (OPG). Completing this form will help you understand the skills, time and resource commitments required for this volunteer position. Please read through the entire application before you begin filling it out.

Please return the completed application to the Colorado Office of Public Guardianship, Attention: Sophia M. Alvarez, 3900 East Mexico Avenue, Suite 300, Denver, CO 80210 or by email to info@colorado-opg.org.

This application will be kept confidential. Applications are used to identify and evaluate potential Panel candidates.

Objectives of the Stakeholder Advisory Panel (SAP)

The purpose of the Stakeholder Advisory Panel (SAP) is to establish a forum for communication, information gathering, feedback and collaboration between the OPG, its clients and its community stakeholders. The purpose is accomplished by creating an environment in which clients and stakeholders are able to share their experience or expertise in a timely manner to voice opinions, support, concerns and suggestions regarding the OPG and its operations. In addition, the SAP provides a resource from which the OPG can solicit feedback and recommendations. While the panel is strictly advisory in nature, its work has the potential to influence and shape the OPG while promoting collaboration, accountability and transparency. For this reason, the selection process will be attentive to attracting volunteers that represent a diverse and as broadly representative as reasonably possible selection of members.

The current term is through the end of the Pilot Project and may be renewed if/when the Program is continued or expanded.

Key Objectives:

- Identify a diverse and representative set of interested stakeholders that are affected by the Colorado OPG and its activities and services.
- Create effective methods of information sharing and ensure regular, appropriate, accessible, and transparent stakeholder consultation.
- Establish a process that provides stakeholders with opportunities to influence CO OPG planning and design.
- Collaborate with governmental and community stakeholders to maximize resources and support continuous improvement of policies and processes.
- Advise or assist with the statutory data collection requirements of the pilot project when possible.
- Guide the OPG to establish and foster respectful, long-lasting and mutually beneficial relationships with stakeholders.

Expectations:

- At minimum, a commitment to quarterly meetings.
- At a minimum, a commitment of one (1) hour, monthly, of work dedicated to the SAP. For example, reviewing emails, documents, phone calls, etc.

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MISSION

The Mission of the Colorado OPG is to provide guardianship services for indigent and incapacitated adults, within the targeted judicial district, when other guardianship possibilities are exhausted. If Colorado adults lack willing and appropriate family or friends, resources to compensate a private guardian, and access to public service organizations that offer guardianship, the Colorado OPG provides guardianship services to secure the health and safety of these individuals while safeguarding their individual rights and preserving their independence wherever possible.

VALUE STATEMENT

Dignity: At-risk adults are treated with individual dignity and respect.

Self-determination: The concerns and decisions of at-risk adults are, to the greatest extent possible, considered with the assistance to regain or develop capacities and participate in supported decision-making and person-centered planning.

Access and Quality: At-risk adults should receive timely access to appropriate services, consistent with best practice, to ensure personal safety and well-being.

Collaboration: The Colorado OPG actively seeks collaborative relationships with governmental and community stakeholders to maximize resources and support continuous improvement of policies and processes.

Accountability and Transparency: Outcomes of the Colorado OPG are defined, documented, and made available to the Colorado General Assembly and the public, as required by statute, accurately and on a timely basis.

VISION STATEMENT

The Colorado OPG will serve at-risk adults, within the targeted judicial district, with dignity and collaborate with stakeholders to assist in ensuring individuals receive appropriate public guardianship services. The Colorado OPG will educate stakeholders of the value and dignity of at-risk adults to consistently implement least restrictive alternatives and supportive decision-making to ensure the appropriate level of public guardianship is tailored on an individual basis.