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Colorado Office of Public Guardianship Executive Director Report

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Purpose:

The Director Report will provide updates on new matters, the status of ongoing matters from the previous month, and the planned next steps for the upcoming month. The Director will distribute the report to all Board members in advance. Questions may be addressed during Board meetings as needed, and Board members are encouraged to contact the Director directly between meetings with any inquiries.

Report Agenda	Director Report Updates
COPG Monthly Budget	Mike Henthorn, OASIA Deputy Director, Budget, and Finance, provided the monthly summary as of 08/17/2026. See Attachment 1 .
Human Resources	1. COPG Staffing: All OPG staff have completed training and are able to take new cases. a. New OPG Positions: i. Guardian (4th JD) – Ian Hendricks ii. Legal Assistant - Rosa Salas iii. Staff Attorney: Katie Donohue b. We have continued to retain all guardian staff 2. We will have a discussion about the proposed internal Rep Payee staff person.
Website	We are working to complete in the coming months:



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	b. OPG has completed a review and bid for updating the website. It will include a new layout, easier navigation, a place for articles and news, and referrals.
Office of Administrative Services for Independent Agencies (OASIA)	a. OASIA will be providing job descriptions for the board's review. b. OPG and OASIA will be partnering to support legislative needs for agency growth. i. Conflicts of interest ii. Board composition
Partnership Advancements and Wins	1. Executive Director McKeon has continued to focus on partnership building, and has completed the following since last board meeting: Partnerships: a. Partnership with the Public Defenders Office for accepting high-acuity competency cases. b. Guardianship Alliance – we are supporting any anticipated needs for GAC and have offered to support case transfer on a case-by-case basis. 2. Wins a. Emily Bowers helped to secure an emergency guardianship and stabilization for a community member - will now successor to family b. Ian Kendrick passed his CGC to become NCG!
Legislative Update	a. OPG is working to identify legislative initiatives over the next month. Legislative session returns in August to begin budget discussions and next year's initiatives. We are asking that the board provide feedback on those initiatives presented at the next meeting. i. We will not be running a WINGS bill this year - guardianship bill is not a focus ii. Statute language cleanup for OPG for ability to support petitioners, filing



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	requirements, and public guardian limitations with APS iii. Professional Guardian Registration b. FY 27 budget – We will be submitting our request no later than October 2026 for the coming fiscal year. This will include the new positions, competency dollars, and existing funds. We will also be requesting a rightsizing of the guardian compensation.
Colorado OPG Board and Operating Policies Updated	Please note that board and Operating Policies are available on the OPG website: https://colorado-opg.org/opg-in-depth/ - Intake Eligibility, Prioritization, and Referral Process - Update on number of registered users, referrals, accepted cases, etc. as of 08.17.2026 - Active guardianships – 75 - Referrals accepted in process– 54 - Total after completed:129 cases - Restored (Guardianship Terminated) - 1 (1 Emergency Guardian to Successor) - Competency Cases - 4 new - Training Update: OPG has reviewed all current training and has made an updated training/on boarding for new staff. Training will be completed over a 2 week intensive, with week three for job shadowing. Ian has been our first staff person to go through the new training. - Standard Operating Procedures: OPG staff completed the first set of SOPs to be integrated into the new Employee Handbook. - SalesForce Project: We are completing an overhaul of SalesForce for better functionality and reporting.