



Guardianship in the Time of Coronavirus

Guardianship can be difficult in the best of times. The COVID-19 pandemic presents a unique set of challenges. At the OPG we are facing these challenges alongside as well. We know how difficult it is to ensure proper testing and care for wards. Our hearts go out to the thousands of guardians across our state caring for wards of their own. Fortunately, no OPG wards have died as a result of COVID-19 but we are intimately aware of the havoc this virus can wreak on the body. For those caring for older wards or wards who are immunocompromised the risk of death from COVID-19 is particularly frightening. This is why we are working hard to build new resources for guardians and conservators and to connect guardians and conservators to a growing network of existing resources. The OPG wishes all guardians, conservators, wards, and protected persons the best of health in these trying times.



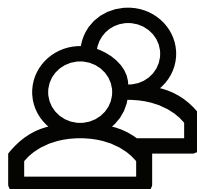
COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions

Are you wondering how to best access your ward or protected person in a nursing home? What about in a group residence or a hospital? Have you wondered how your ward will access services in your community during the pandemic? What can you do if you have trouble accessing your county court due to COVID-19 restrictions? How can you best protect the rights, property, and finances of your ward or protected person during the pandemic? If you are asking yourself these sorts of questions, the National Guardianship Association, along with the ABA Commission on Law and Aging and the National Center for State Courts have produced this incredible [resource to help answer your most pressing questions](#).



Volunteer Opportunities

The OPG aims to serve as many vulnerable adults in Nebraska as we possibly can. However, there are more individuals in need than the OPG can serve. So, we are in need of volunteers to serve as Court Visitors to ensure the OPG is only used as a last resort. We are also in need of volunteer Successor Guardians and Conservators to take over responsibility for OPG cases when it's appropriate. If you are interested in volunteering with our office contact us anytime at (402) 471-2862.



Resources for Guardians and Conservators...



Follow the OPG on [our new Facebook page](#) to get ongoing access to the most up-to-date information and resources for guardianship and conservatorship.



Go and take a look at the new [COVID-19 Resources](#) page on the OPG website.



The OPG recently developed a series of webinars addressing [Key Terms and Concepts for Guardianships and Conservatorships](#), [Annual Reporting](#), and [New Rules and Forms Changes...](#) with many more in the works.



Beware of COVID-19 Scams. Scammers aim to take advantage of vulnerable people in uncertain or desperate situations. Educate yourself on widespread scams related to COVID-19 using [this resource](#).



Due to the success of Online Guardian Conservator Education, Online *Spanish* Online Guardian Conservator Education is set to launch in the fall of 2020.

