



## **5TH ANNUAL GUARDIANSHIP CONFERENCE—SPOKANE**

We have expanded the Spokane conference! This conference is open to anyone who is interested.

Those who attended the 2017 Spokane conference received the following credits:

6-General      4-Emerging Issues      2-Ethics

However, we realize that there may be those who wish to attend who need this year who need a different blend of credits. So, in an effort to accommodate as many attendees as possible, we will be offering some breakout sessions with a total number of credits/categories as follows:

11-General      3-Emerging Issues      3-Ethics

***Six (6) credit maximum can be taking each day.***

**NOTE:** Some of our speakers presented the same topics at the 2018 Bremerton conference. If you attended a Bremerton presentation, you cannot receive credit if you attend the same presentation in Spokane. However, we done our best to provide a full compliment mixture that should work for most everyone.

**We will be offering five (5) partial scholarships** for this conference. Registration for the full two-day conference must be submitted with the scholarship application in order to qualify. The scholarships go quickly, so if you want to apply for a scholarship, email [info@bridgebldrs.com](mailto:info@bridgebldrs.com) and request an application.

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## **SPOKANE CONFERENCE CONTINUED**

**For those who want to take individual sessions**, because of the costs involved in organizing these conferences, we need to change the rate to \$50 per session with a minimum of two sessions per day.

### **Here are the topics:**

*Incapacitated Persons and the Criminal Justice System*—Steve Graham, Law Office of Steve Graham

*Digital Assets & Supported Decision Making*—Larry Weiser, Professor Emeritus of Gonzaga University

*THE AMAZING, CHANGING BRAIN (Cognitive Skills and the Aging Brain: What to Expect)*, RaMoná Pinto, Brain Injury Alliance of Washington

*Immigration 101*—Lisa Herrera, Northwest Immigrant Rights Project

*The Bonding Process*—Kim Edgar, The Bar Plan

*Cultural Diversity & Interpretive Assistance*—Lisa Herrera, Northwest Immigrant Rights Project

*Getting the Most from Your Doctor Visit*—Jordan Storhaug, M.D., Providence North Pines Clinic, Spokane.

*7 Question to Ask Your Financial Advisory*—Fiduciary Ethics, Daryl Lynch, Oppenheimer & Co, Inc.

*Fiduciary: Efficiency, Accuracy, and Accounting*—Charlene Hamblen & Chris Ayers, Share & Care House

*New Guardianship WAC*—Dan Rees, DSHS Financial Services Specialist

*Appearing in Court and Petitioning for Instructions*—Judge Kevin Naught, Spokane Superior Court

*Medicare Update*—Kim McKenna, DSHS SHIBA Coordinator

*Developmental Disabilities Trust*—Tamara Roberts, Trust Manager at The ARC of Washington State

*“I’m Being Held Hostage by my Bra!”: Decoding what your client means*, Mindi R. Blanchard, Bridge Builders, Ltd.

*Cultural Considerations for End of Life*, Robin Johnson, Spokane Hospice

*A Story of Recovery: A journey continued*—Steve Einhaus, Peer Counselor, Eastern State Hospital

*CPGB Board Updates: New Regulations and New Approaches*—Commissioner Rachelle Anderson, Spokane County Superior Court

***The brochure will be available soon!***

## WEB SITE DEVELOPMENT

We are getting there! The design work is done and now the hosting company to do all the “magic” that makes it all work properly.

## WASHINGTON CONNECTION

Created by DSHS in December 2010, [Washington Connection](#) provides information about a wide variety of services and offers customers the [online option to apply](#) for and renew services such as food, cash, childcare, long-term care, and assistance for people with disabilities.

The “[See If I Qualify](#)” pre-screening feature not only shows the customers what services they may be eligible for, it also displays many agencies’ websites where the customers can apply for additional services, such as employment, education and training programs.

Through continuous enhancements, more information becomes available on the “[Find Services](#)” page. Sixteen categories of services include those offered by non-profits, Tribes, and different types of government agencies.

Washington Connection also provides tools and resources for community partners that can help their customers apply for and renew benefits online. These tools include the [online registration](#), secure Partner Account, and “Client Search” feature. Resources available for partners include online tutorials, training webinars, marketing materials, newsletters, and consultations.

For those who are receiving services from DSHS or Health Care Authority, another feature called “Client Benefit Account” gives them the ability to monitor their benefit history, renew services, or update information online. This reduces the need for them to call or visit the office.

Washington Connection continues to build partnerships with other agencies in community outreach. The goal is to make services available to those in need so they can thrive in their communities. Please encourage your customers to visit Washington Connection today: [www.washingtonconnection.org](http://www.washingtonconnection.org).

Contact: [Alice.Liou@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:Alice.Liou@dshs.wa.gov)

**Thank you, Alice for providing this information. the English and Spanish “How Do I?” flyers are provided at the end of this newsletter.**

## CRISIS STABILIZATION (KING COUNTY)

One of the goals of the Guardian Institute is to provide resources to lay and professional guardians.

A mental health agency in King County has offered a [free](#) consultation for any guardianship client in King County referred through the Guardian Institute. Any lay or Certified Professional Guardian interested in this service can contact the Guardian Institute through Bridge Builders, Ltd by calling (360) 683-8334 or emailing [info@bridgebldrs.com](mailto:info@bridgebldrs.com). The Guardian Institute will arrange to connect you with the agency.

## ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS

*Client A0004—Skagit County*

*Mini-grant awarded: \$2,400.00*

*Amount Expended: \$275.00*

Client A0004 is 23 years old with cognitive and medical conditions and not a US citizen. She currently lives in an Adult Family Home. The guardianship is funded through the Public Guardianship Program. She currently does not qualify for SSI or DDA services because she is not a US citizen. The guardian is working with an immigration attorney with the goal of getting her citizenship. She can work but needs a job coach and the job coach funding ran out. The Guardian Institute has approved a \$2,400.00 grant that will cover one-month of job coaching. While the guardian will try to recruit volunteers to help defray the cost but depending on the job she gets, this may or may not be possible. This client needs to be able to work at least until she can qualify for SSI or DDA or both. *There has been some delay in starting the job coaching. The CPG has negotiated a lower hourly rate. If for some reason this plan cannot be implemented, the GI Board has approved using the funds for other needs the client might have.*

*Additional donations are needed for continued job coaching.*

**If you want to apply for a mini-grant or short-term loan on behalf of a guardianship client, please contact the Guardian Institute at [info@bridgebldrs.com](mailto:info@bridgebldrs.com). The Guardian Institute is willing to consider other financial requests as well.**

**If you are interested in donating to support these clients, please see the donation form.**

## CLALLAM COUNTY IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER GUARDIAN ADVOCATES

***We have our first volunteer!*** Now, we're working on figuring out how to connect a potential guardian with an incapacitated individual in need of a guardian. Several people are working on this conundrum.

There is a great need for guardians for our most vulnerable population. The Guardian Institute is looking for volunteers for the Volunteer Guardian Advocate pilot program, starting immediately. The time requirement is an average of five (5) hours each month and each volunteer is asked to commit for 3-years with optional renewal. A Volunteer Guardian Advocate is NOT a caregiver. A Volunteer Guardian Advocate is to advocate for their client's needs and appropriate wants, ensure the client is getting the benefit of all the resources he/she qualified for, assist the client with making medical decisions or make medical decisions on the client's behalf if the client cannot do so.

### **Basic Requirements:**

- Be at least 18 years old
- Be of sound mind
- Have no felony convictions
- Have no misdemeanor convictions involving moral turpitude
- Be a resident of Washington State
- Have completed mandatory (online) training
- Be a person who the court finds suitable
- Commitment renewal every 3-years
- Average time needed is 5-hours monthly
- 1-2 guardianship limit per volunteer
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### **The Guardian Institute will provide:**

- Arrange legal assistance as needed
- In-person training
- Provide a mentor as needed
- Assistance with Standby Guardian requirement

Contact Bridge Builders, Ltd at (360) 683-8334 or at [info@bridgebldrs.com](mailto:info@bridgebldrs.com) for more information.

# CONTINUING EDUCATION

## *Guardian Institute Fall Conference*

*(formerly the CPG CE Conference—Spokane)*

**Tuesday & Wednesday, September 18 & 19, 2018**

Venue: Red Lion River Inn—Spokane

### *Spokane Sponsors & Exhibitors*

- ◇ *CarePatrol of Spokane—Registration Sponsor*
- ◇ *Oppheimer & Co, Inc—Break Sponsor*
- ◇ *Purple Cross—Exhibitor*
- ◇ *The Bar Plan—Exhibitor*
- ◇ *EXACT GPS—Exhibitor*

## *National Conference on Guardianship*

**October 20-23, 2018**

Venue: Renaissance Palm Springs, Palm Springs, California

## *National Conference on Guardianship*

**October 12-15, 2019**

Venue: Griffin Gate Marriott, Lexington, Kentucky

*If you have a continuing education event you wish to add, please email  
[info@bridgebldrs.com](mailto:info@bridgebldrs.com)*

### ***Thinking About Tax Deductible Donations?***

Please consider the Guardian Institute this year. We provide support for individuals under guardianship as well as to lay and certified professional guardians.

You may designate where you would like your funds to be used:

- General fund
- Mini-grants for clients
- Low-interest loans for clients
- Legal fees for low income clients
- Education scholarships lay or professional guardians
- You designate

# Thank You to all our 2018 Contributors!

## Registration Sponsor, Bremerton

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Darryl J. Lynch, Executive Director—Investments of Oppenheimer & Co. Inc.—Bellevue

## Program Sponsor



TrueLink Financial—California

## Registration Sponsor, Spokane



CarePatrol of Spokane

## Exhibitors

Exact GPS, Charlene Hamblin, Puyallup (Bremerton & Spokane)  
File Center, Lucion.com—Utah (Bremerton)  
Purple Cross, Dave Martin, Tacoma (Bremerton & Spokane)  
The Bar Plan Mutual Insurance, Missouri (Bremerton & Spokane)  
Washington Association of Professional Guardians (Bremerton)

## In-Kind Donations

Bridge Builders, Ltd, Sequim

## Individual Donations

Denise Brown

## Grants Received

\$2,500—Ben & Myrtle Walkling Memorial Trust (Clallam County)

**Volunteer Hours for 2018: 79.6**

**Partial CPG Scholarships awarded: 5**

## Supporting through Conference Attendance

(\*means also a speaker)

- Dewey Abbott, CPG, Port Orchard
- Karen Abbott, CPG, Port Orchard
- Kevin Ahl, CPG, Poulsbo
- John Anderson, CPG, Bothell

## Conference Speakers—Bremerton

- Robin Balsam, Robin H. Balsam, P.S.
- Mindi R. Blanchard, M.Ed., CPG, Guardian Institute
- Brenda Carpenter, CPG, Bridge Builders, Ltd.
- Liz Dunbar, NW Immigration Rights Project
- AnnaRae Goethe, NW Immigration Rights Project
- William Grimes, MD
- Charlene Hamblen, CPG, and staff, Share & Care House
- Ian Horlor, Financial Subject Matter Expert, DSHS
- Victoria Kesala, Kesala Law
- Kim Edgar, The Bar Plan
- Darryl Lynch, Executive Director—Investments, Oppenheimer & Co.
- Jenny Nickl, CPG
- Michelle Nisle, Miller Nash Graham & Dunn, LLP
- Karen Reeder, RN, Assured Hospice
- Brian Santo, Developmental Disabilities Administration
- Suzanne Thompson, Campbell Thompson, Wininger, PLLC
- Robert Wasserman, Peninsula Funerals, LLC & Peninsula Cemeteries, LLC

## Conference Speakers—Spokane

- Commissioner Rachel Anderson, Spokane Superior Court
- Mindi R. Blanchard, M.Ed., CPG, Bridge Builders, Ltd.
- Kim Edgar, The Bar Plan
- Steve Einhaus, Peer Specialist at Eastern State Hospital
- Steve Graham, Law Office of Steve Graham
- Charlene Hamblen, CPG, Share & Care House
- Lisa Herrera, Staff Attorney, Northwest Immigrant Rights Project
- Robin Johnson, Spokane Hospice
- Darryl Lynch, Executive Director—Investments, Oppenheimer & Co, Inc
- Judge Kevin Naught, Yakima County Superior Court
- Kim McKenna, SHIBA Coordinator, DSHS
- RaMona Pinto, Brain Injury Alliance of Washington
- Dan Rees, DSHS, Financial Subject Matter Expert
- Jordan Storhaug, MD, Providence North Pines Clinic, Spokane
- Larry Weiser, Professor Emeritus of Gonzaga University

- Rebecca Bailey, LICSW, CPG, Covington
- Robin Balsam, Atty, CPG, Tacoma\*
- Katlyn Balsam, CPG, Tacoma
- Margaret Anderson, CPG, Bothell
- Jonathan Berliner, CPG, Lakebay
- Lara Berliner, CPG, Lakebay
- Heather Black, Atty, Bellevue
- Mindi Blanchard, M.Ed., CPG, Sequim\*

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## *Attendees, Con't*

- Theresa Boyle, CPG, Gig Harbor
- Michelle Branstetter, CPG, Spanaway
- Steve Broom, CPG, Kelso
- Clare KC Brown, CPG, Maple Valley
- Judi Burkdoll, CPG, Vancouver
- Ingrid Cameron, CPG, Gig Harbor
- Brenda Carpenter, CPG, Sequim\*
- Debra Christnacht, CPG, Lakewood
- James Christnacht, Atty, CPG, Lakewood
- April Coberly, CPG, Gig Harbor
- Leslie Cook, Bellingham
- Linda Custer, CPG, Puyallup
- Susan Daugherty—Guild, CPG, Bellevue
- Susan Dean, CPG, Sumner
- Karla Edwards, CPG, Des Moines
- T.L. Nicole Emmanuel, CPG, Spanaway
- Rene Ewalt, Atty, CPG, Oroville
- Michelle Ewert, CPG, Bellevue
- Ruben Foreman, CPG, Redmond
- Michael Gross, Ph.D., CPG, Kent
- Charlene Hamblen, CPG, Puyallup
- Cynthia Hanning, CPG, Edmonds
- Madelyn “Mimi” Hudson, CPG, Seattle
- Jaime Huff, Atty, Port Orchard
- Kirsti Hunziker, CPG, Yakima
- Stephanie Inslee, CPG, Bellingham
- Donald Johnson, CPG, Puyallup
- Sharon Johnson, CPG, Puyallup
- Tracy Johnson, CPG, Puyallup
- Elaine Judd, CPG, Humptulips
- Richard King, CPG, University Place
- Dianne Klem, CPG, Lynnwood
- Deborah Lawrence, CPG, Puyallup
- Mack Lievense, Atty, CPG, Gig Harbor
- Giselle Loveland, CPG, Tacoma
- Arlene Mackey, CPG, Vancouver
- Ellen Magnuson, Vancouver
- Amby Matheny, CPG, University Place
- Susan Mattern, CPG, Tacoma
- Cindy Maxwell, CPG, Bellingham
- Patricia McIntosh, CPG, Silverdale
- Chris Medley, CPG, Tacoma
- Jenifer Mick, CPG, Seabeck
- Sarah Mills, CPG, Renton
- Elaine Morgan, CPG, Port Ludlow
- Peggy Mosshart, CPG, Union Gap
- Kirsten Murray, CPG, Poulsbo
- Linda Navage, CPG, Bainbridge Island
- Karen Newland, CPG, Lynnwood
- Chester “Chick” Newman, Seattle
- Jenny Nickl, CPG, Olympia\*
- Kirsten Noble, CPG, Seattle
- Summer O’Neill, CPG, Longview
- Diane Pearson, CPG, Poulsbo
- Beth Peoples, CPG, Federal Way
- Marci Perkins, CPG, Waitsburg
- Sue Prichard, CPG, Poulsbo
- Frank Puschak, CPG, Spokane
- Tracy Raymond, CPG, Sumner
- Collette Rice, CPG, Puyallup
- Janene Robinson, CPG, Graham
- Melissa Schafer, CPG, Seattle
- Laura Schmidt, CPG, Tacoma
- Michael Schmidt, CPG, Tacoma
- Joan Shoemaker, CPG, Colbert
- Carol Smith, CPG, Tracyton
- Sari Spieler, CPG, Freeland
- Janet Stein, CPG, Spokane
- Elizabeth Stone, CPG, Tacoma
- Julie Stone, Lay Guardian, Bainbridge Island
- Sherry Wamba, CPG, Everett
- Melissa Wilcox, CPG, Vancouver
- Albert “Doc” Williams, CPG, Spanaway
- Lorelee Williams, CPG, Spanaway
- Paula Wind, CPG, Chehalis
- Amber Zabel, CPG, Vancouver
- Nicholas Zaharevich, CPG, Waitsburg
- Armelia Zaharevich, CPG, Waitsburg
- Richard Zittle, CPG, Tracyton



# *The Guardian Institute*

## *Ways to Help*

### **Cash Donations: Can be designated many ways**

- Specific personal needs
- Specific guardianship client
- Specific county
  - ~Funds to pay a professional guardian to take a challenging pro bono client
  - ~Funds to pay for legal fees associated with guardianship
- Transportation needs
- Unusual housing needs
- Unique care needs

### **In-kind donations**

- Legal services
- Medical services
  - General; Eye exams; Glasses; Hearing exams ; Hearing aides
- Dental services
- Denture services
- Legal services for guardianships
- Be a volunteer guardian

### **Sponsor Opportunities**

- Guardian Certification Program
  - ~Sponsor for rural counties
  - ~Provide hotel accommodations
- Continuing education conferences
  - ~Sponsor one or more breakfasts
  - ~Sponsor one or more lunches
  - ~Sponsor one or more snacks
  - ~Sponsor a guardian
  - ~Provide hotel accommodations
- Web site development & maintenance
- Lay guardian support groups
- Volunteer guardianship program
  - ~Development
  - ~Training
  - ~Support meetings

**100% of donations go to improving the lives of vulnerable adults under guardianship**

**Interested?**

**Call**

**360-683-8334**

**Or Email**

**[info@bridgebldrs.com](mailto:info@bridgebldrs.com)**

Join AmazonSmile and list the Guardian Institute as your charity of choice and the Guardian Institute will receive 0.5% of the price of your AmazonSmile purchases.

We accept VISA and MasterCard  
Please send checks to the  
Guardian Institute, PO Box 610, Sequim, WA 98382

**The Guardian Institute is now approved for the Washington State Combined Fund Drive**

**Bridge Builders, Ltd is currently the Administrator of the Guardian Institute.  
Mindi R. Blanchard, M.Ed., CPG,  
President**



# How do I...



## Apply for or Renew Health Care Coverage

(Coverage for Medical, Dental, Mental Health, or Substance Use Disorders)

### If you are:

- Applying for children
- A parent or caretaker applying with children
- Pregnant or applying for someone who is pregnant
- An adult 18 to 64 years old

**Online:** Visit [www.wahealthplanfinder.org](http://www.wahealthplanfinder.org) to apply for Washington Apple Health (Medicaid) or private health insurance coverage.

**Phone:** Contact Washington Healthplanfinder Customer Support Center at 1-855-923-4633.

**In-person assistance:** Find a local Navigator at:

[https://www.wahealthplanfinder.org/HBEWeb/Annon\\_DisplayBrokerNavigatorSearch.action?brokerNavigator=NAV&request\\_locale=en](https://www.wahealthplanfinder.org/HBEWeb/Annon_DisplayBrokerNavigatorSearch.action?brokerNavigator=NAV&request_locale=en)

### If you are:

- Age 65 or older
- Entitled to Medicare
- On a Spenddown
- In need of or receiving Medicare Savings Program
- In need of or receiving Long-term Services and Supports
- An individual with a disability
- Applying for Healthcare for Workers with Disabilities (HWD)

**Online:** Visit [www.washingtonconnection.org](http://www.washingtonconnection.org) to apply for Washington Apple Health (Medicaid).

**Phone:** Contact DSHS Customer Service Contact Center at 1-877-501-2233.

**In-person assistance:**

- Find a DSHS Community Services Office at <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/esa/community-services-find-an-office>.
- Find a local agency at <https://www.washingtonconnection.org/home/publicaccessdirectory.go>.
- Find a Mobile Community Services Office event at a location near you at [www.dshs.wa.gov/MobileOffice](http://www.dshs.wa.gov/MobileOffice).

## Apply for or Renew Health Care for Children in Foster Care

**For children and youth:**

- Under the age of 21 who are in foster care or receiving adoption support.
- Age 18 to 26 years old who aged out of foster care on or after their 18th birthday.

**Phone:** Contact Foster Care Medical Unit at 1-800-562-3022 ext. 15480.

## Find Help for Long-Term Services and Supports

**Nursing facility services, in home care, assisted living or adult family home, or Medicaid personal care:**

- Contact your local Home & Community Services Office. Find your local office at <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/AL TSA/resources>.

**Healthcare for Workers with Disabilities (HWD):**

- Contact the HWD Specialty Unit at 1-800-871-9275.

**Developmental Disabilities Administration Services:**

- Find your local office or service center at <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/DDA/dda/find-an-office>.

**Hospice Services:**

- Find a local hospice agency at <https://wshpco.org/directory-search/>.

## Find Help for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Treatment

**Online:** Visit [https://www.dshs.wa.gov/sites/default/files/BHSIA/dbh/BHO/BH\\_Info\\_Clients.pdf](https://www.dshs.wa.gov/sites/default/files/BHSIA/dbh/BHO/BH_Info_Clients.pdf) to find information about how to access Medicaid-funded treatment.

# How do I...



## Apply for or Renew Food Assistance

**Online:** Visit [www.washingtonconnection.org](http://www.washingtonconnection.org) to apply for or renew assistance.

**Phone:** Contact DSHS Customer Support Contact Center at 1-877-501-2233.

**In-person assistance:**

- Find a local DSHS Community Services Office at <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/esa/community-services-find-an-office>.
- Find a local agency at <https://www.washingtonconnection.org/home/publicaccessdirectory.go>.
- Find a Mobile Community Services Office event at a location near you at [www.dshs.wa.gov/MobileOffice](http://www.dshs.wa.gov/MobileOffice).

## Apply for or Renew Cash Assistance

(Aged, Blind, Disabled; Family Related; or Refugee Assistance)

**Online:** Visit [www.washingtonconnection.org](http://www.washingtonconnection.org) to apply for assistance.

**Phone:** Contact DSHS Customer Service Contact Center at 1-877-501-2233.

**In-person assistance:**

- Find a local DSHS Community Services Office at <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/esa/community-services-find-an-office>.
- Find a local partner agency at <https://www.washingtonconnection.org/home/publicaccessdirectory.go>.
- Find a Mobile Community Services Office event at a location near you at [www.dshs.wa.gov/MobileOffice](http://www.dshs.wa.gov/MobileOffice).

## Apply for or Renew Child Care Assistance

**Online:** Visit [www.washingtonconnection.org](http://www.washingtonconnection.org) to apply for Child Care Subsidy Programs.

**Phone:** Contact DSHS Customer Service Contact Center at 1-877-501-2233.

## Replace My DSHS EBT Card for Food or Cash Benefits

**Online:** Visit [www.washingtonconnection.org](http://www.washingtonconnection.org) and log onto your Client Benefit Account to make the request.

**Phone:** Contact the FIS Customer Service Helpline at 1-888-328-9271.

- If you have moved, contact DSHS Customer Service Contact Center at 1-877-501-2233.

## Replace My ProviderOne Services Card for Medical Services

**Online:** Visit <https://www.waproviderone.org/client> or <https://fortress.wa.gov/hca/p1contactus/>.

**Phone:** Contact Health Care Authority Medical Assistance Customer Service Center at 1-800-562-3022.

### Don't be fooled by scams!

Be alert for fraudulent or look-alike websites that try to get your personal information or sell health insurance to you.

There is never a cost for using the websites listed in this flyer.

Never give your personal information to someone you don't know over the phone or online.

Report suspected Medicaid and Welfare Fraud at 1-800-562-6906.



Transforming lives

DSHS 22-1574 (Rev. 9/17)

# Washington State Certified Professional Guardian Profiles by County

(The Guardian Institute does not endorse any profiles. This is for marketing purposes only)

## Clallam County

**Business Name:** Bridge Builders, Ltd

**CPGs:** Mindi R. Blanchard, M.Ed., CPG  
Brenda Carpenter, CPG

**Business Type:** Guardian Agency

**Years in Business:** Since 2003

**Counties Served:** Clallam, Jefferson, North Kitsap

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Care Management
- Power of Attorney
- Representative of the Estate
- Fiduciary
- Trustee
- Local Emergency Contact (Peace of Mind Program)
- Consulting/education

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid
- Public Guardian

**Specialties:** Crisis management; challenging behaviors; education; program development. NGA member.

**Contact:** (360) 683-8334

**Email:** info@bridgebldrs.com

**Website:** www.bridgebldrs.com

## Cowlitz County

**Business Name:** Grace Guardianship Services, LLC.

**CPG:** Pauline Trefren, CPG

**Business Type:** Solo Practice

**Years in Business:** Since 2015

**Counties Served:** Cowlitz; Clark Lewis

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Power of Attorney
- Rep of the Estate
- Fiduciary

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid
- Pro Bono

**Specialties:** Elderly and vulnerable adults 50+ years of age.

## Jefferson County

**Business Name:** Caring Choices

**CPG:** Elaine Morgan, CPG

**Business Type:** Solo Practice

**Years in Business:** 5 years

**Counties Served:** Jefferson, Kitsap, Clallam

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Power of Attorney
- Representative of Estate
- Fiduciary
- Care Management

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid

**Specialties:** Strong healthcare background; strong advocacy skills in healthcare needs and senior needs; specialize in working with seniors.

**Contact:** (360) 551-1476

**Email:** emwelcom@msn.com

**Website:**

www.caringchoicesguardianshipservices.com  
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**Business Name:** Caring Choices—KPT and Associates

**CPG:** Kathleen Traci

**Business Type:** Solo Practice

**Years in Business:** 4 years

**Counties Served:** Jefferson, Kitsap, Clallam

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Power of Attorney
- Representative of the Estate
- Fiduciary
- Care Management

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid

## King County

**Business Name:** Allegiance Professional Guardians, Inc.

**CPGs:** Rebecca Bailey, LICSW, CPG and Debra Howard, MSN, CPG

**Business Type:** Agency

**Years in Business:** 1-year

**Counties Served:** King, Pierce, North Thurston

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Care Management
- Power of Attorney
- Representative of the Estate
- Fiduciary
- Clinical Consultation for Individuals & Organizations.

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid
- Specialties: General Practice, Adults. Rebecca has 30-years Licensed Social

Work experience. Debra is a psychiatric nurse specialist with 30-years experience.

**Contact:** (253) 520-1800

**Email:** rebecca@allproguardians.com or  
debra@allproguardians.com

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**Business Name:** Bailey Consultation & Guardianship Services

**CPG:** Rebecca Bailey, LICSW, CPG

**Business Type:** Solo Practice

**Years in Business:** CPG—3.5 yrs; LICSW 35+ yrs; AFH-8 yrs

**Counties Served:** South King; Pierce; possibly rural East Thurston.

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Power of Attorney
- Care Management

**Payment:**

- Private Pay

**Contact:** Rebecca@allproguardians.com

**Phone:** (253) 520-1800

**Other:** I own a very high qualify, beautiful Adult Family Home, SandersEstateAFH.com and I have maintained a private practice psychotherapy office for 26 years (very part time now) - Of court, these services are not available to MY guardianship clients of their families. In guardianship practice, I specialize in elders and those with intellectual disabilities.

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**Business Name:** Whole Heart Guardianship

**CPG:** Clark "Erik" Eggertson

**Business Type:** Solo Practice

**Years in Business:** 7

**Counties Served:** Snohomish, King

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Care Management
- Power of Attorney
- Representative of the Estate
- Fiduciary
- Trustee

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid

**Contact:** wholeheart@comcast.net

**Specialty Areas:** Accounting; Extensive knowledge on housing options; Medically needy.

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**Business Name:** Bridge Disability Ministries Guardianship Agency

**CPGs:** Patty Croteau

Gordon Ellison-Oslin

Suzy Dougherty-Guild

Michelle Ewert

**Business Type:** Guardian Agency  
**Years in Business:** 25  
**Counties Served:** King & Snohomish  
**Services Provided:**

- Guardian of Person
- Guardian of Estate
- Standby Guardian
- Care Management
- Individual Case Management contracts
- Fiduciary

**Payment:**

- Private Pay

**Specialties:** IP's with Intellectual Disabilities and Developmental Disabilities.

**Contact:** (425) 885-1006 ext. 102

**Email:** pattyc@bridgemin.org

**Website:** www.bridgemin.org

We do not serve IPs with only age-related dementia.

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**Business Name:** Michaels Angels

**CPG:** Dr. Michael Gross

**Business Type:** Solo Practice

**Years in Business:** 7

**Counties Served:** King, Pierce, Snohomish, Thurston

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Power of Attorney
- Rep of Estate

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid
- Pro Bono

**Contact:** (253) 222-1096

**Email:** miangelss@juno.com

## Kitsap County

**CPGs:** Dewey Abbott

**Business Type:** Solo Practice

**Years in Business:** 13 years

**Counties Served:** Kitsap, Mason

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Power of Attorney
- Representative of the Estate
- Fiduciary

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid
- Possibly Pro Bono

**Specialties:** Retired military, worked for VA and am a life member of Disabled Veteran's of America; 16 years of military services no NJR, honorably discharged. Carry Error & Omissions Insurance

**Contact:** (360) 871-1629

**Cell:** (360) 731-3294

**Email:** dkayabbott@wavecable.com

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**Business Name:** Elder Solutions, LLC

**CPG:** Linda Navage

**Business Type:** Solo Practice

**Years in Business:** Since 2004

**Counties Served:** Kitsap

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Power of Attorney
- Rep of the Estate
- Fiduciary
- Trustee

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid

NGA member since 2010.

**Contact:** eldersolutions@msn.com

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**Business Name:** Hoehnen Guardianship Foundation

**CPG:** Sue Pritchard

**Business Type:** Agency

**Years in Business:** Since 1993

**Counties served:** Kitsap

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Stand-by Guardian
- Rep of the Estate
- Fiduciary
- Trustee
- Special Needs Trust Account

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**Business Name:** Structured Harmony

**CPG:** Jenifer Mick

**Business Type:** Solo Practice

**Years in Business:** 6 years

**Counties served:** Kitsap

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Care Management
- Power of Attorney
- Rep of the Estate
- Fiduciary
- Trustee
- Professional organization
- Parental supervision

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid
- Pro Bono

**Specialties:** Over 20 years in social work and law enforcement; Army veteran; trained in borderline personality disorder treatment; dual diagnoses (substance and mental health); taught parent classes and was a foster parent. Experience as domestic violence advocate. Has worked with hoarding situations. Great at bringing order to chaos and running estate and garage sales.

**Contact:** (360) 710-9122

**Email:** structuredharmony@yahoo.com

## Pierce County

**Business Name:** Commencement Bay Guardianship Services

**CPGs:** Robin Balsam

Heather Crawford

Katlyn Balsam

**Business Type:** Agency

**Years in Business:** Since 1993

**Counties Served:** Pierce, Thurston, Kitsap, S. King

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Care Management
- Power of Attorney
- Rep of the Estate
- Fiduciary
- Trust Administration
- Representative Payee

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid

**Specialties:** Affiliated with Robin H. Balsam P.S., an elder law firm with two attorneys who also serve as guardians.

**Contact:** (253) 627-7605

**Web Site:** www.cbguardian.com

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**Business Name:** KR Guardianship Services

**CPG:** Richard King

**Business Type:** Solo Practice

**Years in Business:** 11

**Counties served:** Pierce, Kitsap, South King

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Power of Attorney
- Fiduciary
- Care Management

**Payment:**

- Medicaid

**Specialties:** Veteran; Developmental Disability; Rehabilitation counselor background (M.A.); Special ed, voc rehab counseling.

**Contact:** (253) 565-8065

**Email:** krsrvs-richk@juno.com

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**Business Name:** Sunrise Guardianship Services

**Business Type:** Guardian Agency

**Years in Business:** Since 1999

**Counties Served:** Pierce, Thurston, Kitsap

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Power of Attorney
- Rep of the Estate

- Fiduciary

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid
- Pro Bono

**Contact:** sunguardsharon@gmail.com

## Snohomish County

**Business Name:** Miller Family Fiduciary, LLC

**CPG:** Ben Miller, CPG

**Business Type:** Solo Practice

**Years in Business:** Since August 2015

**Counties Served:** King, Snohomish, Kitsap and Island

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Power of Attorney
- Rep of the Estate
- Fiduciary
- Care Management

**Payment:**

- Private Pay

**Specialties:** Management services for care, property, and financial affairs.

**Contact:** (425) 670-8060

**Email:** ben@millerfamilyfiduciary.com

**Website:** www.millerfamilyfiduciary.com

## Spokane County

**Business Name:** Paladin Services

**CPG:** Kristi Kilbourne

**Business Type:** Solo Practice

**Years in Business:** 2.5 years

**Counties Served:** Spokane, Stevens Pend Orielle

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Power of Attorney
- Rep of Estate
- Fiduciary

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid

**Contact:** (509) 863-5598

**Email:** kilbournecp@gmail.com

## Thurston County

**Business Name:** Senior Guardianship Services

**Business Type:** Guardian Agency

**Years in Business:** 24 years in guardianship

**Counties Served:** Thurston, Mason, Lewis

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Care Management
- Power of Attorney
- Representative of the Estate
- Fiduciary
- Trustee SNT

- Testamentary Trusts

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid

**Specialties:** Alzheimer's/ Dementias

**Contact:** (360) 943-7413

**Email:** Michele@seniorguardianship.com

Sarah@seniorguardianship.com

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**Business Name:** Able Guardianship Services

**Business Type:** Agency

**Years in Business:** Since 2007

**Counties Served:** Thurston, Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Kitsap, King, Pierce

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Fiduciary

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid

**Specialties:** LGBT, Deaf (ASL)

**Contact:** (360) 515-9020

**Email:** cliff@ableguardianship.com

## Walla Walla County

**Business Name:** Omni Guardianship

**CPGs:** Marci Perkins

Nicholas J. Zaharevich

Armelia Zaharevich Rupp

**Business Type:** Agency

**Years in Business:** Since 1999

**Counties Served:** Walla, Benton, Franklin, Yakima, Garfield

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Power of Attorney
- Rep of Estate
- Fiduciary
- Care Management
- Mediators
- Guardian ad Litem (Title 11 & 26)
- Parent Coordinators

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid
- Contact:

**Email:** info@omniguardianship.com

**Phone** (509) 337-3025: Toll Free: (877) 554-8199

## Whatcom County

**Business Name:** Senior Support Services, Inc.

**CPGs:** Iris Kingston, Jodi Wallace, Judy Glad

**Business Type:** Guardian Agency

**Years in Business:** 20+

**Counties Served:** Whatcom, Skagit, Snohomish, Island

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Power of Attorney
- Rep of the Estate
- Fiduciary
- Care Management
- Trustee

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid

**Contact:**

**Email:**

admin@seniorsupportservicesinc.com

## Yakima County

**Business Name:** Peggy L. Mosshart

**CPGs:** Peggy L. Mosshart

**Business Type:** Solo Practice

**Years in Business:** Since April 2013

**Counties Served:** Yakima, Benton-Franklin, Kittitas

**Services Provided:**

- Guardianship
- Care Management
- Power of Attorney
- Representative of the Estate

**Payment:**

- Private Pay
- Medicaid
- Public Guardian

**Contact:** (509) 910-8402

**Other:** PO Box 3035, Union Gap, WA 98903

**Email:** plmosshart@msn.com

## See Also:

### **Asotin County**

Omni Guardianship (Walla Walla)

### **Benton County**

Omni Guardianship (Walla Walla);

Peggy L. Mosshart (Yakima)

### **Clark County**

Grace Guardianship Services, LLC (Cowlitz)

### **Franklin County**

See: Omni Guardianship (Walla Walla): Peggy

L Mosshart (Yakima)

### **Garfield County**

See: Omni Guardianship (Walla Walla)

### **Grays Harbor County**

See: Able Guardianship Services (Thurston)

### **Island County**

See: Senior Guardianship Services

Senior Support Services (Whatcom)

Miller Family Fiduciary, LLC (Snohomish)

**Jefferson County**

Bridge Builders, Ltd (Clallam)

**King County—South**

See: Richard King (Pierce)

Able Guardianship Services (Thurston)

Miller Family Fiduciary, LLC (Snohomish)

**Kitsap County**

Able Guardianship Services (Thurston)

Bridge Builders, Ltd (North Kitsap only)

Miller Family Fiduciary, LLC (Snohomish)

Sunrise Guardianship Services (Thurston)

**Kittitas County**

Peggy L. Mosshart (Yakima)

**Lewis County**

Able Guardianship Services (Thurston)

Grace guardianship Services, LLC (Cowlitz)

**Mason County**

See: Abbott & Associates (Kitsap)

Senior Guardianship Services (Thurston)

Able Guardianship Services (Thurston)

**Pend Oreille County**

See: Kristi Kilbourne

**Pierce County**

Able Guardianship Services (Thurston)

Michaels Angels (King)

**Skagit County**

See: Senior Support Services, Inc.

**Snohomish County**

See: Clark "Erik" Eggertson (King);

Bridge Disability Ministries/S. Snohomish  
(King)

Michaels Angels (King)

Senior Support Services (Whatcom)

**Stevens County**

See: Kristi Kilbourne (Spokane); Terri Stein

**Thurston County**

Michaels Angels (King)

Sunrise Guardianship Services (Pierce)

**Whatcom County**

See: Senior Support Services, Inc.

**Whitman County**

See: Terri Stein

**Yakima County**

Peggy L. Mosshart (Yakima)

Omni Guardianship (Walla Walla)

# Complimentary Guardian Profile

Please complete and email to [info@bridgebldrs.com](mailto:info@bridgebldrs.com) or fax to  
**(360) 683-8358**

## General Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Solo Practice \_\_\_\_\_ Agency \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## How you would prefer to be contacted:

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been in business? \_\_\_\_\_

In what county do you reside? \_\_\_\_\_

What counties do you serve? \_\_\_\_\_

## Services Provided:

\_\_\_\_\_ Guardianship \_\_\_\_\_ Power of Attorney \_\_\_\_\_ Representative of the Estate

\_\_\_\_\_ Fiduciary (includes basic bill paying) \_\_\_\_\_ Care Management

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Accept: \_\_\_\_\_ Private Pay \_\_\_\_\_ Medicaid \_\_\_\_\_ Pro Bono \_\_\_\_\_ Public Guardian

## Specialty Area(s):

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Have we missed anything? \_\_\_\_\_

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