

NOTICE

The Seventh Judicial Circuit Court (Flagler, Putnam, St. Johns, & Volusia counties) is soliciting letters of interest from qualified, licensed mental health service providers interested in conducting mental examinations to determine competency to proceed in adult criminal and juvenile delinquency proceedings on a contractual basis. The provider(s) selected to perform competency examinations will be compensated in accordance with the Court's Expert Witness Rate Structure (see attached).

The selected provider(s) will serve as independent contractors and agree to conduct competency examinations in all cases to which they are appointed. The provider(s) must have access to office space in each county to conduct examinations and be willing to examine defendants incarcerated within the county jails.

To be considered, a provider must:

- (a) Show proof that they have completed the statutory forensic evaluator training;
- (b) Show proof that they are a psychiatrist, psychologist, or physician;
- (c) Be familiar with statutes, rules, and laws concerning competency examinations;
- (d) Be generally familiar with Court proceedings in the Seventh Judicial Circuit.

Interested providers should submit a letter of interest, resume, and appropriate documentation by June 20, 2025, to:

Court Administration 125 E. Orange Ave., #200 Daytona Beach, FL 32114

Interested providers may address questions concerning this notice by calling or emailing Mark Weinberg at (386) 257-6097, mweinberg@circuit7.org.

Expert Witness Rate Structure (7/1/2025)

Type of Evaluation / Expert	Rate of Compensation	No-Show Rate	Testimony Rate
Adult Competency – Mental Illness (§916.12)	\$550	\$220	\$175 / hour
Adult Competency – Developmental Disability / Autism (§916.301)	\$600	\$240	\$175 / hour
Juvenile Competency – Mental Illness (§985.19(1)(d))	\$450	\$180	\$175 / hour
Juvenile Competency – Developmental Disability / Autism (§985.19(1)(e))	\$500	\$200	\$175 / hour
Guardianship Examining Committee – Doctor (§744.331)	\$500	\$180	\$175 / hour
Guardianship Examining Committee – Other (§744.331)	\$300	\$120	\$100 / hour
Developmental Disability Examining Committee – Doctor (§393.11(5))	\$600	\$240	\$175 / hour
Developmental Disability Examining Committee – Other (§393.11(5))	\$400	\$160	\$125 / hour