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## **Policies and Fees Regarding Forensic Services**

Forensic services are not covered by health insurance providers.<sup>1</sup> Costs of these services are incurred by the individual, referring attorney, or State agency.

My general fee for forensic-related activities (i.e., records review, report preparation, telephone consultation, in-office interviewing and examination) is \$175.00 per hour. Court testimony is billed at \$200.00 per hour. Travel time is billed at \$140.00 per hour, which is my typical hourly fee I would expect to lose by being out of my office.

I typically require a retainer at the time of initial engagement of services. The amount of the retainer will vary, and is based on an estimate of the amount of professional time required to complete the service. There may be special situations agreed upon in advance where the retainer is waived and a final bill is submitted at the conclusion of services. I expect my fees be paid within 21 days of receipt of my final bill in such cases.

With respect to cancellations of examinations or court testimony, I do not charge for cancellations given seven or more days notice. For cancellations between 24 hours and seven days, I charge 50% of the fee for time set aside in my schedule for travel and testimony. I charge 100% of the fee when given less than 24 hours notice.

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<sup>1</sup> Please see my website at <http://www.cfmal.com/Fees-Insurance.html> for a thorough explanation of this issue.