

SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
EXPERT INFORMATION SHEET

**Adult Competency Evaluations,
Developmental Disabilities Evaluations,
Determination of Intellectual Disability as a Bar to Execution Evaluations,
and Juvenile Competency Evaluations**

- All experts who provide services under contract with the Sixth Circuit must be a licensed physician, psychiatrist, or psychologist in good standing with the State of Florida, Department of Health.
- Each expert selected to serve must enter a contract with the Court. Contracts are effective during the period between April 1st and March 31st, with the possibility of renewals for up to three years.
- Compensation for expert services is paid by the State of Florida at the rates set by the Court. The rates may be found in Sixth Administrative Order No. 2017-033.
- All expert services must be provided in accordance with the Florida Rules of Court; the Code of Judicial Conduct; the Rules of Criminal of Procedure; Sixth Judicial Circuit Administrative Order Nos. 2017-033 and 2017-034; and any other subsequent or applicable rule, law, or Administrative Order.
- **Adult Competency or Juvenile Competency** evaluators must have satisfactorily completed the required forensic training approved by the Department of Children and Family Services. Information on training for Adult Competency may be found at: www.usf.edu/cbcs/mhlp/training.
Information on training for Juvenile Competency may be found at: www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/mental-health/forensic-evaluator-training-and-importance-appointing-approved-forensic-evaluators-experts
- **Developmental Disability or Determination of Intellectual Disabilities as a Bar to Execution** evaluators must be found qualified by the Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD). Information on becoming qualified may be found at APD's website, <http://apd.myflorida.com>, or by contacting the Suncoast Field Office (Field 23) in Tampa.
- **Other Resources:** Sections 916.115, 916.301 – 916.304, 921.137, and 985.19 Florida Statutes, Rule of Criminal Procedure 3.203, and Rule of Juvenile Procedure 8.095.

****ALL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS AND SUPPORTING
DOCUMENTATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF THE
COURT COUNSEL AT SixthCircuitContracts@jud6.org OR
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NO LATER THAN 5:00 P.M., February 6, 2019****