

APPENDIX G

Service Specifications and Methodology

Sexually Violent Persons Evaluation

A. Service Specifications

1. Service Definition:

This service provides for specific assessment, evaluation and/or consultation to determine and address behavioral health problems and may make treatment recommendations based upon Arizona Statute(s) 36-3701-3702. The competent professional will be able to assess, using standardized and accepted measures that can determine the presence of a “Mental disorder” defined as paraphilia, personality disorder or conduct disorder or a combination of any that predisposes a person to commit sexual acts to such a degree as to render the person a danger to the health and safety of others.

2. Standards/Licensure Requirements:

Psychologists must be licensed in good standing by the Board of Psychologists Examiners at the doctoral level in Psychology along with access to at least 2 different kinds of standardized, nationally recognized measures. Statute defines the agency/provider as a “competent professional” meaning a person who is:

- a) Familiar with the State’s sexually violent person statutes and sexual offender treatment programs available in this state.
- b) Approved by the Arizona Superior Court as meeting court approved guidelines (guidelines in general are qualified, certified/licensed, available within timelines needed and willing to accept predetermined payment for services rendered)

3. Units of Service:

One unit of service is one completed evaluation, as evidenced by a completed report.

4. Service Goals:

- a) To answer the forensic question posed by the referring office and submit a comprehensive report on same in a timely manner;
- b) To be available to testify in person or by phone when ordered or needed by the court.

5. Service Tasks:

- a) Review referral material and questions, assess the individual’s readiness for Testing.
- b) Conduct clinical interviews
- c) Submit a report within timelines specified at the time of referral.

