

**POLICY FOR COURT APPEARANCES**

The following policy is applicable when I am requested to appear at a deposition or in court for the purpose of presenting expert testimony:

Court time is billed portal to portal (i.e., charges accrue from the time staff leaves the office until return to the office) at the rate of \$360 per clock hour (60 minutes). Preparation time for a court appearance is charged at the rate of \$300 per clinical hour (50 minutes). Prepayment of \$1650 is required seven working days prior to a court appearance.

Should a hearing be canceled or the staff person's testimony no longer be required, reimbursement will be made as follows:

- Less than 72 hours' notice of cancellation, a charge of \$360 plus time spent in court preparation will be kept and the rest of the monies refunded. (If the hearing is on Monday, cancellation must occur on the Wednesday prior to the hearing by 12 p.m.)
- Less than 48 hours' notice of cancellation, a charge of 3 hours of court time plus time spent in court preparation will be kept and the rest of the monies refunded. (If the hearing is on Monday, cancellation must occur on the Thursday prior to the hearing by 12 p.m.)
- A \$360 cancellation fee will be kept for cancellations made more than 72 hours prior to the hearing date.

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