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Expert witness / medicolegal terms and conditions 2022

All approaches for medicolegal work must be made via Cambridge Paediatric Medicolegal Associates: info@cpmla.co.uk

Report / assessment costs:

£150 / hour

The hourly rate refers to any work pertaining to clinical negligence and personal injury, including the acceptance of instructions, reviewing documentation, consultations with families and assessment of the child (where specifically agreed), report preparation (for example, expert witness, conditions and prognosis reports), and responding to subsequent questions arising from any report.

Reports require 8 – 10 hours of my time, although this is dependent on the volume of notes and information required to review, complexity of the case and any specific instructions.

Conference calls / meetings

£150 / hour

If presence at a conference or meeting in relation to a case is expected then an hourly fee will be charged for attendance and any preparation required.

Travel and subsistence

£40 / hour

Travel costs are charged per hour or part therefore, with return travel fares or mileage (£0.45p / mile) charged accordingly. Overnight accommodation would be charged, where agreed.

Court attendance

£500 / half day

If court attendance is expected then the fee will be charged per half day or part thereof.

CANCELLATIONS:

In addition to the terms noted above, please note that 48 hours written notice (email or text) is required at least 48 hours in advance of attendances (e.g., court, clinical assessment, conferences). If attendance is cancelled with less than 48 hours notice then the expected fee may be charged.

Payment and invoicing:

Unless otherwise agreed, it is expected that the instructing solicitor will be responsible for paying fees for all work undertaken and associated costs, as documented above.

Invoices will be provided via CPMLA and are to be paid within 8 weeks of receipt, unless arrangements have been made prior to commencement of work.



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