

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

IN THE MATTER OF CORRECTIONAL)
HEALTH SERVICES AND COURT-)
ORDERED MENTAL HEALTH)
EVALUATIONS)

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 2008-105
JUVENILE ADMINISTRATIVE
NO. 2008-022

In juvenile court proceedings, the costs for certain mental health evaluations are required to be paid by the county pursuant to Title 8, Arizona Revised Statutes, and Arizona Rules of Procedure for Juvenile Court. The Maricopa County Board of Supervisors has designated Correctional Health Services as the mental health treatment program for the court.

Correctional Health Services has entered into contractual agreements with certain mental health treatment providers to perform court-ordered mental health evaluations pursuant to Title 8, Arizona Revised Statutes and Arizona Rules of Procedure for Juvenile Court. In addition, the Superior Court and Administrative Offices of the Court have entered into contracts with providers to perform mental competency restoration treatment and monitoring. The list of mental health treatment providers who are approved contractors for Correctional Health Services, the Superior Court and Administrative Offices of the Court have been provided to all juvenile court judicial officers for assignment in juvenile cases where mental health evaluations are warranted.

Maricopa County is not responsible for the payment of fees to court-appointed mental health providers who are not on the approved Correctional Health Services or Court provider list, and is not responsible for payment to mental health treatment providers for services that fall outside the scope of their designated contractual agreements with Correctional Health Services.

The Superior Court does not have the financial resources or budgeted funds to cover the costs of court-ordered mental health evaluations and, restoration treatment that are outside the scope of the Correctional Health Services, Superior Court and Administrative Offices of the Court treatment program, therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that effective immediately, no court orders shall be issued for mental health evaluations in juvenile court proceedings that fall outside the scope of the Correctional Health Services, Superior Court and Administrative Offices of the Court

treatment program.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any deviations from the Administrative Order must receive the prior written approval of the Juvenile Presiding Judge of the Superior Court in Maricopa County.

Dated this 8th day of September, 2008.

Eileen Willett
Juvenile Court Presiding Judge

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