MENTAL HEALTH CODE (EXCERPT) Act 258 of 1974

330.2060b Definitions; L to Q.

Sec. 1060b.

- (1) "Least restrictive environment" means a supervised community placement, preferably a placement with the juvenile's parent, guardian, relative, or a facility or conditions of treatment that is a residential or institutional placement only utilized as a last resort based on the best interest of the juvenile or for reasons of public safety.
- (2) "Licensed child caring institution" means a child caring institution as defined and licensed under 1973 PA 116, MCL 722.111 to 722.128.
- (3) "Qualified forensic mental health examiner" means 1 of the following who performs forensic mental health examinations for the purposes of sections 1062 to 1074 but does not exceed the scope of his or her practice as authorized by state law:
 - (a) A psychiatrist or psychologist who possesses experience or training in the following:
 - (i) Forensic evaluation procedures for juveniles.
- (ii) Evaluation, diagnosis, and treatment of children and adolescents with emotional disturbance, mental illness, or developmental disabilities.
 - (iii) Clinical understanding of child and adolescent development.
 - (iv) Familiarity with competency standards in this state.
- (b) Beginning 18 months after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section, a mental health professional other than a psychiatrist or psychologist who has completed a juvenile competency training program for forensic mental health examiners that is endorsed by the department under section 1072 and who possesses experience or training in all of the following:
 - (i) Forensic evaluation procedures for juveniles.
- (ii) Evaluation, diagnosis, and treatment of children and adolescents with emotional disturbance, mental illness, or developmental disabilities.
 - (iii) Clinical understanding of child and adolescent development.
 - (iv) Familiarity with competency standards in this state.
- (4) "Qualified restoration provider" means an individual, who the court determines as a result of the opinion provided by the qualified forensic mental health examiner, has the skills and training necessary to provide restoration services. The court shall take measures to avoid any conflict of interest among agencies or individuals who may provide evaluation and restoration.

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