



Subpoena, Court Appearance & Legal Proceedings Policy for Guerin Therapy Group

Guerin Therapy Group clinicians are committed to protecting client privacy and maintaining appropriate professional boundaries. Because responding to subpoenas, participating in depositions, communicating with attorneys, preparing for testimony, and appearing in court require significant time outside of routine clinical care, these services are subject to separate fees.

Legal and Court-Related Services

If a clinician receives a subpoena or other legal request requiring their involvement in a legal proceeding, the following fees apply:

Initial Retainer: \$1,500

A \$1,500 retainer is required before the clinician will begin preparation or participate in subpoena-related services. The retainer is applied toward billable legal/court-related time.

Legal/Court-Related Services: \$300/hour

This rate applies to all time spent in connection with the legal proceeding, including:

- Reviewing and responding to subpoenas or other legal requests
- Reviewing records or case materials in preparation for testimony
- Preparing for depositions, hearings, or court appearances
- Communicating with attorneys or other legal representatives
- Participating in attorney interviews or conferences
- Depositions
- Court testimony
- Travel time associated with a legal proceeding
- Waiting time at court, depositions, or other legal proceedings
- Time spent responding to continuances, cancellations, or rescheduling

- Other services reasonably related to the legal proceeding

Time is billed in increments of 15 minutes.

Cancellations, Continuances & Rescheduled Proceedings

Once a clinician has reserved time for a deposition, hearing, court appearance, attorney meeting, or other legal proceeding, that time is considered committed and may prevent the clinician from accepting other clinical or professional work.

Cancellations or rescheduling more than 5 business days before the scheduled proceeding:

No additional cancellation fee will be charged. Any time already spent preparing for the proceeding will be billed at the applicable legal/court-related rate of \$300/hour.

Cancellations, continuances, or rescheduling within 5 business days of the scheduled proceeding:

A minimum cancellation/rescheduling fee of **\$1,500** will apply. This fee covers the clinician's reserved time and the disruption caused by a late cancellation or change in schedule. The \$1,500 fee will be applied against the client's existing legal/court-related retainer, when applicable.

If the clinician has already incurred more than \$1,500 in billable time related to preparation, communication, travel, or other legal/court-related services, that additional time will be billed at the standard rate of \$300/hour.

Repeated continuances or rescheduling:

Each late cancellation, continuance, or rescheduling of a reserved proceeding may result in a new \$1,500 minimum fee. A new retainer or additional payment may be required before the clinician agrees to reserve a new date.

A cancellation or rescheduling by an attorney, court, opposing party, or other third party does not eliminate the client's responsibility for applicable fees.

Advance Payment

The applicable retainer and/or minimum fee must be paid before the clinician participates in the requested legal services. The clinician may decline to participate in voluntary legal services until required fees have been paid. Payment of these fees does not guarantee that a clinician will provide a particular opinion, testimony, or other information.

Client Responsibility

These fees are the responsibility of the client unless another party has agreed in writing to assume responsibility for payment. Insurance does not typically cover subpoena-related services, attorney consultations, depositions, court testimony, or other legal-related services. Clients are responsible for payment regardless of whether reimbursement is available from an insurance company or other third Party.

Important Considerations

Clinicians may have legal and ethical obligations that must be evaluated based on the circumstances of the request.

Guerin Therapy Group reserves the right to consult with legal counsel regarding subpoenas, court orders, requests for records, depositions, or other legal matters.

Fees associated with legal proceedings are separate from and in addition to the clinician's ordinary clinical fees.

Fee Schedule

- Initial subpoena/legal retainer: \$1,500
- Legal/court-related services: \$300/hour
- Late cancellation/rescheduling: \$1,500 minimum
- Billing increments: 15 minutes