

WAC 388-875-0020 Definitions. "**Administration**" means the behavioral health administration, department of social and health services.

"**Department**" means the state department of social and health services.

"**Director**" means the director of the office of forensic mental health services.

"**Evaluation**" means the initial procedure when a court requests the department to provide an opinion if a person charged with a crime is competent to stand trial or, if indicated and appropriate, if the person was suffering under a mental disease or defect excluding responsibility at the time of the commission of the crime.

"**Indigent**" means any person who is financially unable to obtain counsel or other necessary expert or professional services without causing substantial hardship to the person or his or her family.

"**Office**" means the office of forensic mental health services, department of social and health services.

"**Professional person**" means:

(1) A psychiatrist. This is defined as a person having a license as a physician and surgeon in this state, who has in addition, completed three years of graduate training in psychiatry in a program approved by the American Medical Association or the American Osteopathic Association and who is certified or is eligible to be certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology or the American Osteopathic Board of Neurology and Psychiatry.

(2) A psychologist. This is defined as a person who has been licensed as a psychologist under chapter 18.83 RCW.

(3) A social worker. This is defined as a person with a master's or further advanced degree from an accredited school of social work educational program accredited and approved under RCW 18.320.010.

"**Secretary**" means the secretary of the department of social and health services or his or her designee.

"**Superintendent**" means the person responsible for the functioning of a treatment facility.

"**Treatment**" means any currently standardized medical or mental health procedure including medication.

"**Treatment facility**" means any facility operated or approved by the department of social and health services that provides services for the criminally insane or persons receiving competency services. This definition does not include any state correctional institution or facility.

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