

**The following is a recommendation for components of a Waiver Evaluation. These are suggested inclusions, and feedback is appreciated.**

Identifying Information

Statement of Non-Confidentiality/Informed Consent

Source of Information

Social and Developmental History

- Housing/Food/Family Instability
- Trauma History (Violence, Abandonment, Environmental, etc.).
- Protective Factors (mentor, positive adult figure)

Educational History

- IEP/SPED
- Disciplinary Record
- Attendance Record
- Grades/Teacher Comments

Occupational History/Chores

Substance Use and Treatment History

- Familial
- Youth Exposure/Treatment

Medical History

- Pregnancy/Birth Trauma
- In Vitro Drug Exposure
- Allergies
- Lead/Mold/Environmental Teratogen exposure

Mental Health/Behavioral Health History (Including Family)

- Hospitalizations
- Medications
- Counseling
- DD Services
- Communication Disorder?
- Neuropsych?

Legal History

- Legal Charges
- Conduct Disorder Symptoms

Detention/Conditional Release Course

Symptom Presentation

Mental Status Exam

Impression Management

Imminent Harm Assessment

DSM-5 Diagnosis

Diagnostic Explanation

Waiver Issues

- Dangerousness/Risk of Harm to Others-
  - Alleged Offense (if allowed)
  - To the Public
  - To Youth in Juvenile System
  
- Amenability/Rehabilitation Prospects
  - Goal is substantial likelihood of reduction of violent recidivism
  - Explore time limits and likelihood of responsivity within respective time limits
    - Juvenile/25 years old vs. DOC time limits
  - Youth Characteristics-
    - Youth discomfort with their behavior
    - Potential for adult attachment
    - Criminal Sophistication (adolescent limited vs. chronic and criminogenic)
      - ✓ Progressively more delinquent/criminal?
    - Sufficiently mature to form criminal intent (daily- not just at time of allegations)
      - ✓ Cognitive, Neuropsych, Communication, Adaptive Functioning Results
      - ✓ Can youth understand societal norms?
      - ✓ Sufficiently mature to delay impulses and problem solve in the moment?
  
- Post-Adjudication Factors
  - Family support
  - Available Treatment Services

Question: Does anyone want the psychologist to opine on “adult like” or just present the information?