

## OCR Case Consultants (CC) Policy

OCR believes that the use of Case Consultants (CCs) in OCR guardian *ad litem* (GAL) appointments enhances the quality of GAL representation, as CCs provide GALs support and assistance from professionals with valuable education, training, and/or experience in social sciences.

### Use of CCs:

GALs must use CCs in an efficient manner that is consistent with [Chief Justice Directive 04-06](#) (CJD) and OCR/GAL contracts; enhances representation; and promotes continuity in representation for children, families, and professionals.

### Qualifications for CC Rate:

The online [Certification of Proposed CC form](#) lists the qualifications for the CC rate. In short, to qualify for the CC rate, an CC must have a license in a relevant field, a Master's in a relevant field, or a Bachelor's in a relevant field plus at least two years of relevant experience.

### Process for Qualifying for CC Rate:

OCR pays \$44/hr. for qualified CCs. The process for qualifying for the CC rate follows.

1. An attorney completes the online Certification of Proposed CC form ("Form," link below).
2. OCR reviews the Form and either approves or denies the CC rate. (If OCR has not received a Form for an CC or OCR denies an CC rate, OCR will pay the paralegal rate.)

 [Click here to access the Certification of Proposed CC Form](#)

*Questions:* Please contact the OCR Staff Attorney Liaison for your judicial district or Alex Wolff, OCR's Case Consultant Coordinator ([alexwolff@coloradochildrep.org](mailto:alexwolff@coloradochildrep.org)).