

Assessing Expert Testimony

The expert considered all of the relevant facts

- Fact 1: _____
- Fact 2: _____
- Fact 3: _____
- Fact 4: _____
- Fact 5: _____

The facts underlying the expert's opinions are solid and reliable

- Assessment of facts underlying the expert's opinions
 - Beyond a reasonable doubt
 - Clear and convincing
 - More reliable than not
 - Partially reliable
 - Unreliable
 - Notes: _____
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The expert understands the pertinent clinical principles

- Assessment of expert's understanding
 - Complete understanding
 - Sufficient understanding
 - Partial understanding
 - Does not understand
 - Notes: _____
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The expert understands the pertinent legal principles

- Assessment of expert's understanding
 - Complete understanding
 - Sufficient understanding
 - Partial understanding
 - Does not understand
 - Notes: _____
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The expert understands the pertinent scientific principles

- Assessment of expert's understanding
 - Complete understanding
 - Sufficient understanding
 - Partial understanding
 - Does not understand
- Notes: _____

The scientific principles used by the expert have been tested independently

- Yes
 - No
 - Evidence: _____
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The principles or theories relied upon by the expert have been published in peer-reviewed journals

- Yes: (Journals noted) _____
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- No

The principles or theories relied upon by the expert are generally accepted as reliable by experts in the field

- Yes: (Experts cited) _____
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- No

The expert used appropriate methods of assessment

- Yes: (Methods utilized) _____
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- No

The inferences and conclusions drawn by the expert are defensible

- Yes
- No

The expert was reasonably objective

- Yes
- No