

## **GUNDU REDDY**

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### **PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY**

Board Certified Psychiatrist with an active New York License. Dr Reddy Trained at the United Medical and Dental schools of Guys, Kings and St Thomas's and completed Psychiatry Training at Mount Sinai school of Medicine and NYU Psychoanalytic Institute. She has worked at Project Renewal, Gracie Square Hospital and Manhattan Psychiatric Center where she has served on both the Forensic committee and Ethics committee.

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### **EXPERT WITNESS EXPERIENCE**

- Appeared in Court regularly as an Expert Witness while working in the State Hospital System and Forensic State Psychiatric Unit at Manhattan Psychiatric Center over 3.5 years.
- Interpreting 730 final evaluations, treating psychiatric symptoms whilst evaluating for fitness to stand trial.
- Provided recommendations as an Expert Witness based on clinical need, safety to patient and community, and current Mental Hygiene Law.
- Completing Violence Risk Evaluations in relation to safety to discharge to the community.
- Testified in Court as an Expert Witness with regards to a patient's current violence risk, based on current and retrospective data.
- Completing thorough psychiatric evaluations whilst evaluating diagnostic criteria in relation to DSM IV and DSM V.
- Evaluating capacity to sign for consent and to refuse medical procedures including amputations and other Emergency Medical Procedures.
- Prepared Court documents for application for treatment over objection including inpatient hospitalization, medication over objection, and electroconvulsive therapy over objection.
- Testified in Court, reported events and diagnosis, psychiatric history and response to previous treatments as per patient chart and personal observation.
- Testified Psychiatric Diagnosis based on information in the patient's chart, personal observation, DSM IV and DSM V criteria, and verified literature including pub med publications.
- Challenged Psychiatric Literature provided by opposing counsel, based on studies providing alternative outcomes and flaws in presented studies.
- Challenged DSM diagnosis provided by opposing counsel in patients considered to be malingering in the forensic setting.
- Prepared applications for Assisted Outpatient Treatment and testified as an Expert Witness.
- Provided treatment recommendations as an Expert Witness for Assisted Outpatient Treatment and Inpatient Treatment over objection.
- Testified in court as an Expert Witness with regards to risk to the patient and community, should a patient be discharged from the state or forensic system without adequate outpatient provisions.
- Completed 9.29 forms and Application for Court Retention.\*Testified in court as an Expert Witness for Application for Court Retention and Treatment over objection submitted by other psychiatrists.
- Completed suicide evaluations using the Columbia Suicide Scale, and determining suicide risk.
- Testified in court as an Expert Witness with regards to patient's current and future suicide risk based on retrospective and current data.
- Completed disability evaluations with specific documentation as to why a patient is unable or it is not recommended to perform certain tasks despite resolution of psychotic or manic symptoms.
- Participated and in some occasions led in Manhattan Psychiatric Hospital Forensic and Ethics Committee, and Violence Risk Assessment Committee. Discussed difficult cases and formulated treatment plans based on clinical needs, duty to the patient, patient and community safety and Mental Health Law.
- Answering questions in Court, providing expert witness opinion, differentiating the subjective from the objective, basing opinions on clinical evidence as well as APA guidelines, DSM, academic literature, medical ethics, mental health law and current observation.
- Complex Diagnostic evaluations, differentiating schizophrenia and bipolar disorder from substance induced psychosis brief psychotic episode and Borderline Personality Disorder.