

Statement from Aviva

Like many insurers and law firms, Aviva works directly with both medical professionals and through an independent, accredited medical examination services body with a network of experienced medical professionals who provide services to both plaintiffs and defendants. Aviva relies on two guardrails: one, that health experts who testify on our behalf are certified professionals licensed to practice by the college of their discipline; and two, that judges in our court system apply fair and just rules of evidence in court proceedings. Historically, judges have commented on the veracity of expert evidence from both the defence and the plaintiff experts in cases such as these, as is part of the normal adversarial process of trial law. At Aviva, we expect experts to provide opinion evidence that is fair, objective and non-partisan, in accordance with their obligations under the rules of civil procedure and the standards of practice laid out by their respective colleges.