- (3) RESULTS IN AN INABILITY TO LIVE INDEPENDENTLY WITHOUT EXTERNAL SUPPORT OR CONTINUING AND REGULAR ASSISTANCE; AND
- (4) REFLECTS THE NEED FOR A COMBINATION AND SEQUENCE OF SPECIAL INTERDISCIPLINARY OR GENERIC CARE, TREATMENT, OR OTHER SERVICES THAT ARE INDIVIDUALLY PLANNED AND COORDINATED FOR THE CHILD.
- [(n)](P) "Disposition hearing" means a hearing under this subtitle to determine:
- (1) Whether a child needs or requires guidance, treatment, or rehabilitation; and if so
  - (2) The nature of the guidance, treatment, or rehabilitation.
  - (Q) "INCOMPETENT TO PROCEED" MEANS THAT A CHILD IS NOT ABLE TO:
    - (1) UNDERSTAND THE NATURE OR OBJECT OF THE PROCEEDING; OR
    - (2) ASSIST IN THE CHILD'S DEFENSE.
- [(o)](R) "Intake officer" means the person assigned to the court by the Department of Juvenile Services to provide the intake services set forth in this subtitle.
- (S) (1) "MENTAL DISORDER" MEANS A BEHAVIORAL OR EMOTIONAL ILLNESS THAT RESULTS FROM A PSYCHIATRIC OR NEUROLOGICAL DISORDER
- (2) "MENTAL DISORDER" INCLUDES A MENTAL ILLNESS THAT SO SUBSTANTIALLY IMPAIRS THE MENTAL OR EMOTIONAL FUNCTIONING OF A CHILD AS TO MAKE CARE OR TREATMENT NECESSARY OR ADVISABLE FOR THE WELFARE OF THE CHILD OR FOR THE SAFETY OF THE CHILD OR PROPERTY OF ANOTHER.
  - (3) "MENTAL DISORDER" DOES NOT INCLUDE MENTAL RETARDATION.
- (T) "MENTAL RETARDATION" MEANS A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY THAT IS EVIDENCED BY INTELLECTUAL FUNCTIONING THAT IS SIGNIFICANTLY BELOW AVERAGE AND IMPAIRMENT IN THE ADAPTIVE BEHAVIOR OF A CHILD.
- [(p)](U) "Mentally handicapped child" means a child who is or may be mentally retarded or mentally ill.
- [(q)](V) "Party" includes a child who is the subject of a petition or a peace order request, the child's parent, guardian, or custodian, the petitioner and an adult who is charged under \$3-8A-30 of this subtitle.
- [(r)] (W) "Peace order proceeding" means a proceeding under  $\S 3-8A-19.2$  or  $\S 3-8A-19.4$  of this subtitle.
- [(s)] (X) "Peace order request" means the initial pleading filed with the court under § 3-8A-19.1 of this subtitle.