

Assessment Information Pack

Welcome to Flourish Assessment & Consultancy!

At Flourish Assessment & Consultancy, we are dedicated to helping children and adults reach their full potential and to celebrate diversity. Our team of experienced psychologists offers a variety of assessment packages designed to provide valuable insights into individual strengths and areas for development. We are pleased to introduce our visiting regional assessment service, which brings our expertise directly to your community.

About Us

Flourish Assessment & Consultancy is committed to providing high-quality psychological assessments. Our services are designed to support individuals in educational, personal, and professional growth. We offer a comprehensive range of assessments for both children and adults, tailored to meet their unique needs.

Our Services

We offer a variety of assessment packages, including:

- **Educational Assessments:** Identifying learning disorders, giftedness, and other educational needs.
- **Developmental Assessments:** Assessing developmental delays and differences in children and adults.
- **Cognitive Assessments:** Evaluating intellectual abilities and cognitive strengths and weaknesses.
- **Emotional and Behavioural Assessments:** Understanding emotional and behavioural challenges to provide appropriate interventions.

Benefits of Assessment

- **Personalised Insight:** Gain a comprehensive understanding of you or your child's unique strengths and any areas of need.
- **Targeted Support:** Provide guidance and understanding about specific strategies and interventions to support growth and development.
- **Informed Decision-Making:** Make well-informed decisions about your child's education and care.
- **Early Identification:** Detect issues early to provide timely support and improve long-term outcomes.

How Regional Assessments Work

Our visiting regional assessment service allows us to bring our expertise to various locations, making it easier for families to access our services. Here's how it works:

1. **Initial Consultation:** We begin with a consultation to understand your concerns and determine the most appropriate assessment package. This can be done over the phone, via video call, or in person.
2. **Scheduling:** Our team coordinates with you to schedule your assessment when we are visiting your regional area.
3. **Assessment Session:** Our psychologists conduct the assessment in a comfortable setting for your child or family member. This may involve one or more appointments and can also include a school observation (if necessary).
4. **Report Writing:** After the assessment, our hard work begins. We analyse results and spend time thinking about you or your child's individual profile of strengths and/or vulnerabilities. Your report is usually provided 4-6 weeks after your appointment.
5. **Follow-Up Support:** We offer a 30-minute follow-up session to discuss the results and recommendations. This session can be conducted over the phone or via video call, ensuring you fully understand the findings and next steps. Our goal is to ensure that you have the resources and guidance needed to support your child's development.

Preparing for the Assessment

To ensure a smooth and effective assessment process, please consider the following:

- **Comfort:** Ensure you or your child are well-rested and have had a meal or snack before the assessment. Comfortable clothing is recommended.
- **Familiar Items:** Bringing a favourite toy or comfort item can help your child feel more at ease during the assessment (although devices and noisy toys are discouraged!)
- **Documentation:** Please bring any relevant medical or educational documents that may assist in the assessment process, such as previous assessments, school reports, or medical records.
- **Questions and Concerns:** Write down any specific questions or concerns you may have. This will help us address all your needs during the initial consultation and assessment.

Information and Consent

At Flourish Assessment & Consultancy, we adhere to the highest standards of practice for psychologists completing educational assessments. Here is some important information about our assessment process and consent:

What to Expect During the Assessment

- **Confidentiality:** All information obtained during the assessment is confidential and will only be shared with your consent.
- **Duration:** The assessment session typically lasts between 2 to 4 hours, depending on the type of assessment.
- **Participation:** Your child may be asked to complete various tasks and activities designed to evaluate specific skills and abilities and you (and your child's teacher) may be asked to complete some online forms.

Before we proceed with the assessment, we will provide you with specific information about you or your child's specific assessment package, the expected fees and charges, and any specific requests or limitations to the assessment. This ensures that you understand the nature and purpose of the assessment, as well as your rights and responsibilities.

Understanding the Limits of the Assessment

It is important to understand the scope and limitations of our assessment services:

- **No Guaranteed Outcomes:** While our assessments aim to provide a comprehensive understanding of your child's strengths and challenges, we cannot guarantee specific outcomes. The recommendations provided are based on the assessment results and are intended to guide you in supporting your child's development.
- **Not a Crisis Service:** Our regional assessment service is designed for planned assessments and is not equipped to handle emergency or crisis situations. If your child is experiencing a mental health crisis or requires immediate support, please contact local emergency services or a mental health crisis hotline.
- **Scope of Recommendations:** Our recommendations are based on the assessment findings and are meant to provide guidance on next steps. Implementation of these recommendations may require collaboration with other professionals, such as teachers, therapists, or medical providers.
- **Follow-Up Services:** While we offer follow-up sessions to support the implementation of recommendations, ongoing therapeutic or educational interventions may require engagement with local services and professionals.

Outreach Assessment Clinic - Fees and Charges 2025

Flourish Assessment and Consultancy offers a range of assessment packages including assessments for Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Specific Learning Disorders such as Dyslexia and Dyscalculia, Intellectual Disabilities, Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders and Giftedness. Our experienced clinicians work with children, adolescents and adults to provide a comprehensive assessment package.

Customised assessments combining elements of our standard assessment packages can also be developed upon request.

Assessment fees vary depending on the type of assessment being completed and the length of time that the clinician will be working with you to complete all assessment and reporting tasks. All assessment packages include a comprehensive written report that details information about areas of strengths and weaknesses, formal diagnoses (if relevant) and recommendations for support; and a feedback session to provide the opportunity to ask questions and plan for any future supports. Parents and adults will be asked to attend an initial consultation prior to confirming the assessment type and booking. Initial consultations can be completed via telehealth.

The following fees apply to our standard assessment packages:

Initial consultation (50 minutes) **\$290** - During this semi-structured interview you will have the opportunity to provide information about current concerns, areas of difficulty, strengths and more specific information related to the assessment need. You may be asked to provide more information about you or your child's developmental and family history.

Cognitive Assessment (90 minutes) **\$910** - We offer cognitive assessments for children and adults for intellectual disability, queries around giftedness, or if you would like to understand your personal cognitive strengths and weaknesses.

AD/HD Assessments (Adults 2 hours / Children 3 hours) **\$1190/\$1720** - We offer ADHD assessments for children and adults. These assessments include a semi structured interview, several online questionnaires and formal assessment of attention and executive functioning. For school-aged children, assessment also includes an assessment of overall cognitive ability.

Learning Assessments (3 to 4 hours) **\$1850** - Learning assessments are offered for school aged children and adults. These assessments include an evaluation of overall IQ and assessment of academic strengths and weaknesses (in either literacy or numeracy). Additional academic areas can be included for an additional fee.

Autism Assessments (3 to 4 hours) **\$2700** - Autism assessments are offered for children (from 4 years of age), adolescents and adults. Assessment may involve a pre-assessment consultation, an observation session, functional assessment and a diagnostic interview.*

**Please note: there may be a requirement to complete additional assessments with a developmental paediatrician and/or speech pathologist as part of a multi-disciplinary assessment approach and this will be discussed with you during the initial consultation.*

Foetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder (3 to 4 hours) **\$2700** - Assessments for FASD are offered for school-aged children with a referral from a paediatrician. Assessment includes an evaluation of learning strengths and weaknesses, intellectual ability, adaptive functioning and several cognitive skills including memory, executive functioning, motor skills, and language.*

**Please note: current guidelines for the assessment and diagnosis of FASD require a medical evaluation by a suitable qualified doctor or paediatrician as part of a multi-disciplinary assessment approach and this is not included in this fee.*

Additional Assessment Options

In addition to the above packages, it is possible to tailor these packages to meet your needs. The following additional add-on services are available, where one of the above packages has also been confirmed:

Learning plus ADHD (5 hours)	Cost: \$2910
Autism plus ADHD (6 hours)	Cost: \$4060
Cognitive Assessment Add on (1.5 Hours)	Cost \$550
Academic Screen or Additional Academic Area (Lit/ Num) (1 hour)	Cost \$450

Funding Options

Medicare: There are currently no Medicare rebates available for cognitive assessments for ADHD, Learning disorders, intellectual disorders or giftedness. Some rebates may be available for Autism assessments for children under the age of 25 with a referral from a paediatrician or psychiatrist. Referrals from a GP or allied health providers are not eligible for medicare rebates.

Private Health: Some providers may provide rebates for assessments and it is advised that you check with your fund.

NDIS: For self-managed or plan-managed NDIS clients, please check with your support coordinator or plan manager to discuss using your NDIS funds for psychological assessment.

*Please note: These fees and charges are regularly reviewed throughout the year and may change. Please email us for information about updated pricing.