



# Assessment Process - Questions to Ask

Here are some suggestions for questions that you can ask before, during and after your child's diagnostic assessment appointment.

## Before the Diagnostic Appointment

How do I start the diagnostic process?

Who will be at the appointment?

How long will the whole process take?

What does the process involve?

How many appointments will there be?

Can I take my child to the appointment?

Do I have to take my child to the appointment?

Will there be an opportunity to speak to professionals without my child attending?

Who is involved in the process? Which professionals?

Will they visit my child's school?

What will they ask me?

Do I need to bring anything?

What information do I need to write information down ready?

Which assessment tool is used?

How can I contact you if I have any questions?

What difference will a diagnosis make?

Will a diagnosis impact my child in the future?

Can I still ask for help while I am waiting for an assessment?



### **During the Diagnostic Appointment**

What happens next?  
How will I know the outcome?  
How will the decision be made?

### **After the Diagnostic Appointment – Diagnosis Given**

What help is available now?  
Who can I speak to about the diagnosis?  
How do I explain the outcome to my child?

### **After the Diagnostic Appointment – No Diagnosis Given**

What do I do if I disagree with the decision?  
Who can I speak to?  
Can I ask for a second opinion?  
What help can I ask for now?