

Diagnostic Assessment for Learners with Special Educational needs

Overview

This is the professional diagnosis of special educational needs of learners referred by their teachers.

Who is eligible?

Any student from pre-primary to senior secondary school with a suspected learning disability.

How do I get this service?

- The teacher refers the child for diagnostic screening at the Regional Education Office.
- Where necessary the child will be referred to an Educational Psychologist for professional assessment.
- The Educational Psychologist will provide feedback in the form of a written report to the school and the parent/guardian.

NB: Parental input/participation may be called for at any time during the process.

What supporting documents are required?

- Learner's medical record
- Most recent academic report
- School referral report

How long will this service take?

Time taken is dependent upon the complexity of each case.

How much does it cost?

There is no charge for this service.

Where can I obtain this service?

Assessment is initiated at school level.

Where can I get more information on this Service

Regional Education Offices

Ministry of Basic Education

Department of Special Support Services (DSSS)

CBD

Gaborone

Botswana

Tel. (+267) 3998223

Opening hours: 07:30 to 16:30, Monday to Friday, except public holidays.

Ministry Contact Centre, by calling 16885 on Monday to Friday working hours or toll-free number 0800 600 678.