

WHAT AREAS OF DEVELOPMENT ARE ASSESSED?

Our assessment process helps us to build a strengths based profile of our child or young person which may include assessment around their:

- General development and family history
- Speech and language development
- Social communication and interaction
- Functional skills
- Motor skills

WHAT ASSESSMENTS ARE USED?

We can use a range of assessments, depending on the child. This may involve play based assessment and observation. We can also use assessment tools such as the Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule 2, cognitive assessments, language assessments and motor assessments.

If your child or young person requires input from our Psychiatry, Paediatrics, Pharmacy and/or Nursing clinicians the process may also involve physical health assessments.

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Your journey through the service

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WE HAVE REACHED THE TOP OF THE WAITING LIST, WHAT NEXT?

We understand you may have waited a while to reach this point of the process and may have questions about what happens next. This leaflet may help to answer some of those questions. This leaflet will explain:

- A bit about the assessment process and how long it might take
- What appointments you may be expected to attend
- What areas of development we assess
- What assessments may be used during the process

THE ASSESSMENT PROCESS

The assessment process can look different for each child who enters our service. This is because we treat each child or young person as an individual with their own unique strengths and challenges.

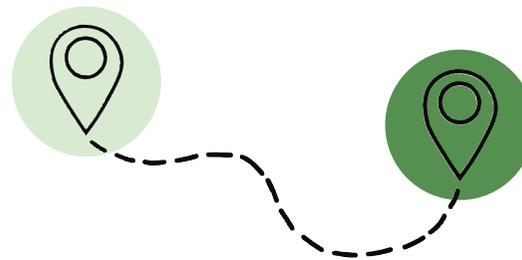
This means the length of time it takes for the assessment process to be completed is different for each child. We aim to provide a holistic and thorough assessment of each child, meaning the process may take a number of weeks.



WHAT APPOINTMENTS WILL MY CHILD/YOUNG PERSON ATTEND?

A child or young person's journey through our service varies depending on the individual. Generally, it will include:

- Telephone contact to gather information.
- Clinic appointment(s) for direct assessment of your child/young person.
- Parent completed questionnaires. We may also ask your child or young person to complete a questionnaire.
- School visit/conversation as required.
- Feedback to discuss outcome of assessments and completion of a diagnostic report.



WHAT IF I CAN'T ATTEND MY APPOINTMENT?

If you are unable to attend an appointment it is important that you contact the service as this appointment could be offered to another family.

We want to support families to attend, so please make us aware of any challenges you may have, otherwise we will comply with NHSL policies and your child or young person's case may be closed.

We aim to tailor the assessment process to meet all needs. Please let us know if you have any additional requirements.

We also have photographs of our clinicians and clinics that are available on request to help with preparing your child or young person to come to their appointment.