



*Quality assessment is critical to ensure your child has the goals, services and supports they need to succeed!*

## **Independent Educational Evaluations**

### *WHEN IS IT A GOOD IDEA TO GET AN INDEPENDENT EDUCATIONAL EVALUATION (IEE) FOR YOUR CHILD?*

It's a good idea to get an independent evaluation whenever you need **more information**, **different information**, or a **second opinion** about your child's disability and special education needs. An independent educational evaluation is most important when you believe the school's evaluation is not "appropriate." For example, you may want an independent evaluation if:

- The parent is concerned that the school's evaluation is not accurate (the wrong tests were used or the results do not seem correct to you).
- The parent is concerned that the school's evaluation is not complete (important testing was not done or the evaluation report does not give you enough information).

*Contact us for assistance!*

### *Which assessment is right for your child?*

#### **Functional Behavior Assessment**

A problem solving process to generate a hypothesis regarding the function of a problem behavior. Includes recommendations regarding intervention programming and skill development.

#### **Transition Assessment**

To assess a student's strengths and needs in the areas of education, employment and independent living. Results can be used to develop a student specific transition plan.

#### **Social Skills Assessment**

To assess a student's strengths and unique areas of need related to social emotional skills including language, responsiveness, and skill fluency.

*All assessments are conducted by a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA)!*



**"A PARENT HAS THE RIGHT TO AN INDEPENDENT EDUCATIONAL EVALUATION AT PUBLIC EXPENSE IF THE PARENT DISAGREES WITH AN EVALUATION OBTAINED BY THE PUBLIC AGENCY"**

**- 34 C.F.R. § 300.502(B)(1).**



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### HOW DO I REQUEST THAT THE SCHOOL PAY FOR MY CHILD'S INDEPENDENT EDUCATIONAL EVALUATION?

You should write a letter to your school with the following information:

- Tell the school that you think its evaluation (or re-evaluation) of your child was inappropriate, and that you are requesting “an independent evaluation at public expense.”
- Explain what kind of independent evaluation you want (functional behavioral assessment, transition assessment, social skills assessment, etc.). If you do not know what kind of evaluation would be best, call us!
- Know that you are not required to use the district provider.

Visit [www.corebehavior.com](http://www.corebehavior.com) for a sample letter you can download.

Contact us with any questions or for assistance.

