

## **Lepage Associates**

### ***Solution-Based Psychological & Psychiatric Services***

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#### **LEPAGE ASSOCIATES CLINICAL EVALUATION SERVICES AND FEE AGREEMENT**

*(This form is for NON-FORENSIC cases. If your evaluation will be used in court, ask for another form.)*

#### **Psychoeducational/Educational/Academic Evaluations** (Used when the question is primarily educational.)

*Full Psychoeducational Evaluation:* Includes an IQ and Achievement battery + AD/HD testing to assess for the possibilities of AD/HD and/or learning disabilities, combined with diagnostic interviewing to screen for the influence of depression, anxiety, and other mental health conditions on educational abilities and performance. A complete history is also taken to identify any possible medical conditions that might be affecting educational abilities/performance. Report meets all NC state requirements, should report be used within educational institutions to qualify the client for any special services. Cost is \$1,495.00, all due at once if one evaluation session is used, or half due in first evaluation session and remaining half due in second evaluation session if two sessions are used. Final interpretive session is provided free of charge.

*IQ & Achievement Evaluation (Gifted Evaluation/ LD Evaluation):* Includes IQ test and Achievement tests, which will provide in-depth information on several factors of intelligence (such as factual knowledge, short-term memory, abstract reasoning, visual-spatial abilities, and common sense), academic strengths and weaknesses, mastery of specific subjects, giftedness, and the presence of a learning disability. The results are used by educational programs to determine the entry to gifted programs or special services for learning disability. Cost is \$850.00, all due at once if one evaluation session is used, or half due in first evaluation session and remaining half due in second evaluation session if two sessions are used. Final interpretive session is provided free of charge.

*IQ Testing only:* Includes the Wechsler Intelligence Test, the standard in assessing IQ, which will provide in-depth information on several factors of intelligence (such as factual knowledge, short-term memory, abstract reasoning, visual-spatial abilities, and common sense), and on academic strengths and weaknesses. Results are also used by educational programs as part of the determination of the “gifted” label. At the other end of the spectrum, the results can also identify mental retardation or low cognitive functioning. Cost is \$425.00 due in full at the evaluation session. Interpretive session not included.

*Achievement Testing only:* Includes the Woodcock Johnson III (WJ-III), the standard in assessing academic achievement, which will provide in-depth information on a child’s mastery of specific subjects and on academic strengths and weaknesses. Cost is \$425.00 due in full at the evaluation session. Interpretive session not included.

*Readiness for Kindergarten Testing:* This includes intellectual and achievement testing to help determine if your child meets the requirements for early entry. Cost is \$650.00 due in full at the evaluation session.

*Comprehensive Assessment of Functioning (School Success Screening):* A quick and affordable screening tool; in just 45-60 minutes, screen for red flags and strengths in all major areas: cognitive/academic, emotional, social, and developmental. Cost is \$89.00 due in full at the evaluation session.

**School Observation** If school observation or visit is required, this is billed at \$175.00 per hour, port to port, due in advance. (School observation is separate and not included in any flat fee evaluation.)

**Full Battery** (Combined Full Psychoeducational + Full Psychological; a full testing battery to determine in-depth all cognitive, emotional and personality factors affecting a person.) Cost is \$2,550.00, half due in

first evaluation session and remaining half due in second evaluation session. Final interpretive session is provided free of charge.

Psychological Evaluations (Used when the question is primarily one of mental health.)

*Expanded Psychological Evaluation:* Includes cognitive, emotional and personality testing, and provides in-depth information on an individual's functioning in all three of these areas. Useful to help understand what a person is thinking and feeling, their underlying personality structure, cognitive strengths and limitations, coping skills or areas of weakness in coping, and why a person behaves as he or she does. In clinically complex cases and/or cases in which it is hard for a person to get in touch with or articulate what the problem is he or she is experiencing, a full psychological evaluation can be an invaluable resource for providing diagnostic clarification and treatment recommendations. Evaluation is broken down into at least two sessions to avoid fatigue for the client and thus result in the clearest diagnostic results. Cost is \$1,995.00, half due in first evaluation session and remaining half due in second evaluation session. Final interpretive session is provided free of charge.

*Psychological Evaluation:* Includes emotional and personality testing, and provides in-depth information on an individual's functioning in both of these areas. Useful to understand what a person is thinking and feeling, their underlying personality structure, coping skills or areas of weakness in coping, and why a person behaves as he or she does. If previous cognitive testing exists or it seems cognitive limitations do not bear on the case, an abbreviated psychological evaluation can be an invaluable resource for providing diagnostic clarification and treatment recommendations. Cost is \$1,495.00, all due at once if one evaluation session is used, or half due in first evaluation session and remaining half due in second evaluation session if two sessions are used. Final interpretive session is provided free of charge.

*MMPI-2 only:* The most widely used and widely researched test of adult psychopathology. A self-report measure used to screen for clinical and psychosocial disorders. Questions on the MMPI-2 are designed to evaluate the thoughts, emotions, attitudes, and behavioral traits that comprise personality. The results of the test reflect an individual's personality strengths and weaknesses, and can identify certain disturbances of personality (that is, psychopathologies). Cost is \$250.00 due in full at the evaluation session. (Optional 30-minute feedback session is \$80.00)

*Adoption Readiness:* Includes a clinical interview covering information of childhood, employment, mental health history and current functioning, substance abuse history, legal history, and understanding of adoption. Administration of the *MMPI-2* which is most widely used and widely researched test of adult psychopathology and a self-report measure used to screen for clinical and psychosocial disorders. Questions on the *MMPI-2* are designed to evaluate the thoughts, emotions, attitudes, and behavioral traits that comprise personality, and results reflect an individual's personality strengths and weaknesses and can identify certain disturbances of personality (that is, psychopathologies). Cost is \$825 for a couple or \$495 for an individual, due in full at the evaluation session. This includes a report and feedback session. If more testing is required, the cost is \$175 per hour.

*Other psychological testing:* In some instances, a single or minimum number of tests, such as one personality test, or depression and anxiety screens, may be quite useful in clarifying the diagnosis and thus aiding in treatment planning. Cost is \$175.00 per hour (to include time spent giving the test, and time spent scoring and interpreting the data). Payment is due in advance, and your psychologist will provide you with an estimate of total time involved. Many of these tests are fairly brief.

*Juvenile Substance Abuse Evaluation:* Gives clarity about whether substances are part of the child's difficulties, and recommendations for level of treatment necessary to address any substance abuse. Since many families are in crisis when they get to the point of requesting this, it is done in one session (~ 2½ hours) with focus on providing verbal guidance regarding treatment needs at the end of session. Cost is \$475.00 due in full at the evaluation.

*Adult Substance Abuse & Psych Evaluation:* Clinical interview, SASSI and other psych testing as needed to determine or rule out any substance-related diagnosis and give treatment recommendations as needed. Can be used by individuals to gain clarity on their own substance abuse, or can be used if a substance abuse evaluation has been court-ordered or is being required by your employer. Results in verbal recommendations as well as any letter of results needed for court or employer. Cost is \$1,495.

*Comprehensive Eating Disorder Assessment:* Includes an in-depth clinical interview covering medical, psychological, and substance abuse history, as well as family dynamics and patterns of health, food, weight and exercise. Also involves specific eating disorder and body image testing, which provides information about eating disorder risk, interpersonal problems, emotion regulation, ineffectiveness, dissociation, as well as attitudes and behaviors concerning eating, weight and shape. Emotional and personality testing is completed and provides in-depth information on an individual's functioning in both of these areas, and is useful to help understand what a person is thinking and feeling, their underlying personality structure, and coping skills or areas of weakness in coping. A comprehensive eating disorder assessment is essential for a full understanding of the problem, severity, and psychological and medical complications a person with disordered eating may experience. (May include: Eating Disorder and Substance Abuse Clinical Interview, MMPI, EDI-3, EAT-26, and/or AUDIT.) Cost is \$1,995.00, all due at once if one evaluation session is used, or half due in first evaluation session and remaining half due in second evaluation session if two sessions are used. Final interpretive session is provided free of charge.

*Eating Disorder and Substance Abuse Assessment:* Provides in-depth information regarding disordered attitudes and behaviors regarding food as well as history and current use of substances. Includes an in-depth clinical interview covering medical, psychological, and substance abuse history, as well as family dynamics and patterns of health, food, weight and exercise. Also involves specific eating disorder and body image testing, which provides information about eating disorder risk, interpersonal problems, emotion regulation, ineffectiveness, dissociation, as well as attitudes and behaviors concerning eating, weight and shape. Includes specific substance use testing which provides diagnostic information about substance abuse. This assessment is very helpful when an individual is struggling with both areas and would like a more complete picture of his or her patterns of behavior and recommendations for treatment. (May include: Eating Disorder and Substance Abuse Clinical Interview, EDI-3, EAT-26, and/or AUDIT.) Cost is \$1,495.00, all due at once if one evaluation session is used, or half due in first evaluation session and remaining half due in second evaluation session if two sessions are used. Final interpretive session is provided free of charge.

*Brief Eating Disorder Assessment:* Includes an in-depth clinical interview covering medical and psychological history, as well as family dynamics and patterns of health, food, weight and exercise. Also involves specific eating disorder and body image testing, which provides information about eating disorder risk, interpersonal problems, emotion regulation, ineffectiveness, dissociation, as well as attitudes and behaviors concerning eating, weight and shape. (May include: Eating Disorder Clinical Interview, EDI-3, and/or EAT-26.) Cost is \$625.00 due in full at the evaluation session. Final interpretive session is provided free of charge.

*Eating Disorder Risk Assessment:* An eating disorder risk assessment is a helpful tool in determining if an individual is at risk for an eating disorder, and what dynamics may contribute to the development or prevention of a disorder. It also involves specific eating disorder and body image testing, which provides information about eating disorder risk, interpersonal problems, emotion regulation, ineffectiveness, as well as attitudes and behaviors concerning eating, weight and shape. Includes an in-depth clinical interview covering medical and psychological history, as well as family dynamics and patterns of health, food, weight and exercise. (May include: Eating Disorder Clinical Interview and/or EAT-26.) Cost is \$475.00 due in full at the evaluation session. Final interpretive session is provided free of charge.

*Bariatric Evaluation:* Includes an in-depth clinical interview covering medical, psychological, and substance abuse history, and family dynamics and patterns of health, food, weight and exercise, as well as

attitudes and behaviors concerning eating, weight and shape. Also includes the Psychodiagnostic Screening Questionnaire (PDSQ) which screens for mental health and substance abuse disorders. This information is useful to help understand what a person is thinking and feeling and coping skills or areas of weakness in coping. A follow-up interview may be required based on PDSQ results (billed separately). Cost is \$600.00 due in full at the evaluation session. Final interpretive session is provided free of charge.

Neuropsychological Evaluations (Used when the question is primarily one of executive functioning.)

*Expanded Neuropsychological Executive Functioning Battery:* Includes all components of a full psychoeducational evaluation (i.e., IQ and achievement testing plus clinical interview and BASC) to assess for the possibilities of AD/HD and/or learning disabilities, as well as any mental health conditions that may impact educational and cognitive abilities and performance. Executive functioning tests used are the Delis Kaplan and the BRIEF. A complete history is also taken to identify any possible medical conditions that might be affecting educational abilities/performance. Report meets all NC state requirements, should report be used within educational institutions to qualify the client for any special services. Executive functioning refers to higher order cognitive abilities. For many individuals who do not meet criteria for a learning disorder and/or AD/HD but still struggle with issues such as disorganization, forgetfulness, cognitive rigidity, etc., it is possible that he or she may have undiagnosed executive functioning deficits. Other areas covered by executive function testing include cognitive and behavioral inhibition and flexibility (the ability to shift, start and stop thoughts and behaviors), and emotional control and self monitoring (the ability to regulate one's emotional, behavioral, and cognitive responses effectively). Cost is \$1,995.00, all due at once if one evaluation session is used, or half due in first evaluation session and remaining half due in second evaluation session if two sessions are used. Final interpretive session is provided free of charge.

*Neuropsychological Executive Functioning Battery:* Provides information regarding higher order cognitive abilities. This includes understanding goal directed behaviors, cognitive and behavioral inhibition, emotional control, planning and organization, and initiation, and self monitoring. Data is collected directly from face to face interactions with the test examiner along with self report, parent report, and/or teacher reports regarding the individual's current executive functioning, as well as testing. This assessment is particularly helpful for individuals who have already undergone psychoeducational testing which yielded inconclusive results. For many individuals who do not meet criteria for a learning disorder and/or AD/HD but still struggle with issues such as disorganization, forgetfulness, cognitive rigidity, cognitive and behavioral inhibition and flexibility, and emotional control and self monitoring, it is possible that he or she may have undiagnosed executive function deficits. Cost is \$1,495.00 due in full at the evaluation session. Final interpretive session is provided free of charge.

Autism-Spectrum Evaluations Testing to determine if your child has Autistic Disorder, Asperger's, or any other Pervasive Developmental Disorder. Can also test for Asperger's Disorder in adults. Cost is \$1,995.

THIS FORM SPECIFIC TO EVALUATIONS IS AN ADJUNCT TO THE GENERAL MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FORM. YOU MUST HAVE ALSO FILLED OUT THAT FORM WITH YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION. IF YOU HAVE NOT ALSO FILLED OUT AND SIGNED THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE AGREEMENT, PLEASE ASK FOR THAT NOW. THANK YOU!

**PLEASE BE SURE TO SIGN PAGE 5 AND FILL IN ALL INFORMATION.  
KEEP PAGES 1-4 FOR YOURSELF AND TURN IN PAGE 5 TO US. THANK YOU.**

**Referral Question** (What do you hope to learn through evaluation?): \_\_\_\_\_

**Please circle to indicate type of evaluation you are requesting:**

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| Full Psychoeducational: \$1,495.00                            | IQ & Achievement: \$850.00  |
| IQ or Achievement Testing only: \$425.00                      | Autism-Spectrum Evaluation: \$1,995.00  |
| Readiness for Kindergarten: \$650.00                          | Comprehensive Assessment of Functioning: \$89.00<br>(also known as: School Success Screening) |
| School Observation: \$175.00 per hour / Estimated time: _____ |   |
| Psychological Evaluation: \$1,495.00                          | Expanded Psychological Evaluation: \$1,995.00   |
| Full Battery: \$2,550.00                                      | MMPI-2 only: \$250.00 (Feedback session \$80.00)  |
| Bariatric Evaluation: \$600.00                                | Adoption Readiness: \$825.00 couple; \$495.00 individual                                      |
| Juvenile Substance Abuse Evaluation: \$475.00                 | Adult Substance Abuse & Psych Evaluation: \$1,495.00  |
| Comprehensive ED Assessment: \$1,995.00                       | ED and Substance Abuse Assessment: \$1,495.00   |
| Brief ED Assessment: \$625.00                                 | ED Risk Assessment: \$475.00  |
| Neuropsychological: \$1,495.00                                | Expanded Neuropsychological: \$1,995.00   |
| Other psychological testing: \$175.00 per hour                |   |
| Estimated time: _____   | Testing: _____  |

Regarding estimates of time: When an hourly fee applies instead of a flat fee, we will provide an estimate of the total number of hours the case will take and will track our time throughout; should the case take less time, we will return funds for hours unused, and should the case take additional time, we will require payment in full up front of an estimate of time remaining to complete the case.

Regarding refunds: We do not offer refunds if you are unhappy with the evaluation, report, clinical suggestions or recommendations; we do not offer refunds if your insurance company refuses reimbursement of our services; we do not offer refunds under any circumstances.

**YOUR SIGNATURE BELOW INDICATES THAT YOU HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT AND THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE AND FEE AGREEMENT, AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THEIR TERMS DURING OUR PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIP.**

In particular, please note the following important statements:

- Payment as described above is due up front; the evaluation will not begin until payment is received.
- If for any reason payment in full has not been made, the report will not be released until payment in full is made. This is standard practice in our field for evaluations and there are no exceptions to this policy; no report will be released under any circumstances until payment in full has been made.
- The full fee is charged for missed or cancelled sessions, unless you cancel 48 hours in advance.
- We do not offer refunds under any circumstances.
- Fees apply for bounced checks: amount due + 10% late fee, our collateral time to rectify at \$175/hour, plus any and all fees of outside services used to collect the debt.

Please sign and date below to indicate that you have read the preceding information in full, and understand the information. Please ask for clarification of any information you are unclear about.

**I have read and understand the Lepage Associates Clinical Evaluation Services and Fee Agreement. I agree to the statements herein and the terms of payment.**

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(Signature)	(Printed Name)	(Date Signed)