





# Referral Guide for Neuropsychological Assessment

## Overview

The Robin Winkler Clinic is linked to the School of Psychological Science at the University of Western Australia. Provisionally registered, postgraduate trainees under the supervision of experienced clinical neuropsychologists, will perform a detailed assessment to appraise cognitive, emotional and behavioural functioning.

A comprehensive battery of tests is administered to evaluate the clients's performance across a wide range of cognitive, intellectual, motor and sensory tasks. Additional appointments may be necessary to complete testing, and feedback sessions will be offered following the completion of testing.

The clinic also serves as a research facility. All staff and students actively contribute to advances in psychological knowledge. Please that de-identified data maybe collected and used for research purposes with appropriate ethical approval from the University of Western Australia Human Research Ethics Office.

#### Who to refer?

Anyone, including children six years and over, with known or suspected cognitive, attentional or learning difficulties resulting from trauma, disease or genetic conditions can be referred for a comprehensive neuropsychological assessment at the Robin Winkler Clinic. Please note that we do not conduct formal autism spectrum disorder assessments.

Assessments for family court or other legal purposes are not performed at the Robin Winkler Clinic.

# Costs

The total cost is \$400 and is required on the day of the initial appointment. This includes and interview, a neuropsychological assessment and written report and a feedback session. Cash, Cheque or EFTPOS is available at the clinic.

# Required information

Referrals can be made by relevant medical, school or allied health professionals. A completed referral form (email clinic-sps@uwa.edu.au) or referral letter is required for all assessment requests.

The following information is required:

- Who is referring
- · Name of client
- Name of parent/ carer (children only)
- · clients's date of birth
- Telephone number (home and work)
- · Current residence
- The reason for the referral (i.e. what questions do you want answered regarding diagnostic and management issues?)
- Current work commitments (adult only)
- Current educational placement (children only)
- Current medication
- Other investigations (i.e. CT scans, EEG, X-rays, previous psychological, speech pathology or educational assessment).
- · To whom the results should be sent

Referral information must a also include:

- Relevant past neurological, psychological and medical history (i.e. birth trauma, head injury, genetic disorders or serious illness such as meningitis or encephalitis).
- Other relevant information (i.e. social / emotional factors, recent deterioration in functioning).
- · Relevant school or workhistory.

### Pre-assessment information

It is important that the current medication regimen not be ceased or altered in the days leading up to the assessment appointment. Please contact the Robin Winkler Clinic if a medication change is recommended. Also, client's should be advised that assessment will take at least four hours with the possibility of an additional testing session. Parents/carers are requested to remain throughout the assessment process.

