



Consent and Agreement of Psychological Assessment

Iagree to allow Dr J Priestley to perform the following services:

- Psychological testing, assessment, and evaluation
- Report writing

This agreement concerns – Name:D.O.B...../...../.....

NHS Number (if known)

Address:

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Tel:..... Signed:.....

I understand that these services may include direct, face-to-face contact, interviewing, or testing. They may also include Dr Priestley's time required for the reading of records, consultations with other psychologists and professionals, scoring, interpreting the results, and any other activities to support these services.

Fees

I understand that the fee for this (these) service(s) is £1895 and is payable in two parts: a 50% payment of £947.50 to be paid at least two weeks before the first assessment appointment and payment of the remaining balance prior to the release of the final report. I understand that Dr Priestley will begin analysing the data collected and completing the assessment report, following the assessment appointment, unless I tell him not to do so. As such, following the assessment, I understand that I am liable to pay the final fee when the report is completed. I understand that, if a 50% payment is not received two weeks prior to the agreed assessment appointment, then this appointment slot may be given to another patient.

Home assessment appointments, outside Lincolnshire, will incur an extra charge of 60p per mile to account for extra travel expenses. This will be included in the final fee.

Payments are accepted via bank transfer, Paym, PayPal or cash.

Confidentiality and safeguarding

I understand that all discussions, and data collected as part of the assessment will remain confidential and that any electronic records will be stored securely in encrypted files/folders on a password protected laptop. This laptop will not be accessed by any other person unless my health or life should be compromised. You are entitled to access any information that is held about you, or your child, in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR, 2018), and upon request, relevant information can be shared with you within one calendar month of your initial request in writing.

I understand that Dr Priestley must follow safeguarding guidelines and that information may be shared with relevant agencies if concerns arise regarding the safety/welfare of persons involved in the assessment process.

I understand that Dr Priestley has regular clinical supervision in accordance with guidelines provided by the Health Care Professionals Council (HCPS) and that these meetings are also confidential. Under no circumstances, other than those already described above, will your confidential information be shared with any third party.

I understand that, if the assessment concerns my child, and I am separated from their father/mother, then I have a duty to inform their father/mother of my child's assessment, if this is possible. I must also ask them whether they would like to provide any information that may be taken into account during the assessment.

I understand that the opinions expressed in the final diagnostic report are based on the information provided and obtained during the assessment (via assessments, psychometrics, questionnaires, observations, and other professional reports). I understand that these opinions may be subject to change / revision in light of additional information this is not disclosed at the time of the assessment. I understand that the final assessment report is considered to be an accurate reflection of the subject's presentation, strengths and difficulties at the time the assessment was undertaken.

Video sample

You, or your child, will be asked to provide verbal consent to be filmed (for no longer than 10 minutes) at the start of the assessment, using a smartphone or tablet device. This is so our Speech and Language Therapist can view a short sample of you speaking and communicating, before your Multi-Disciplinary Meeting (MDT). The MDT takes place following your assessment and is an important meeting whereby the findings from your, or your child's, assessment are discussed. The MDT decides whether you reach, or your child reaches, the threshold for a diagnosis of autism. Your video clip, and any versions of it, will be stored securely on a password protected device. Your video clip, and any versions of it, will be deleted immediately following the MDT. You have the right to decline being videotaped. You also have the right to request a copy of the video clip, but you must make this request on the day of your assessment.

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Concerns and complaints

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I understand that I can raise any concerns I have with Dr Priestley throughout the assessment process and that a resolution will be sought. I understand that I can contact the HCPC if I have any concerns about Dr Priestley's conduct as a Clinical Psychologist and that his registration ID is: PYL33424.

Dr Priestley has the right to end the assessment process if he feels intimidated or unsafe at any time. If Dr Priestley decides to end the assessment process before completion, and any dispute cannot be resolved, then a refund will be provided. If this occurs following the completion of the ADOS-II assessment appointment, then a 50 % refund will be provided. Please note that a refund will not be provided if you are unhappy that a diagnosis of Autism/Autistic Spectrum Condition (ASC) has not been given.

Cancellations

If you are unable to go ahead with the arranged assessment appointment, then please contact me as soon as possible. I will attempt to re-schedule any cancelled appointment within a months' time where possible. You have the right to cancel the assessment process all together, but you must do so 14 days prior to your arranged assessment date. If the assessment process is cancelled altogether with under 14 days remaining until the agreed first assessment date, then your deposit will not be refunded.

Final Diagnostic report

I understand that Dr Priestley will only provide a diagnosis of Autism/ASC if this is indicated by the findings from the assessment and in line with his clinical opinion. If the assessment does not indicate the presence of Autism/ASC, then this will be reflected in the report. In any case, recommendations will be provided re: next steps and advice for future support. Please note that the final report will only be released after the final payment has been received. The final report will be sent via letter and can be copied to the relevant GP at no extra cost.

Dr Priestley will provide recommendations in the final report. An additional appointment to discuss the outcome and recommendations of the report can be arranged at an extra cost of £150. Dr Priestley is unable to provide ongoing support for people following this post-diagnostic appointment.

Print:.....

Signed:.....

Date:.....