



AUTISM IDENTIFICATION ASSESSMENT



Autism Spectrum Disorder (autism) is considered a lifelong (pervasive) developmental condition that affects how a person relates to his or her environment and their interactions with other people. The common areas of difficulty are social communication, social interaction and restricted or repetitive behaviours and interests.

FABIC offers screening for symptoms of autism and we work with other health professionals to support a diagnosis. FABIC has designed a unique holistic assessment program which provides parents, carers and educators with comprehensive insight into what may be needed to support an individual and their carers should an Autism Spectrum Disorder be diagnosed.

For more info or to
book, contact FABIC

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WHO WILL BENEFIT?

Any person who suspects they or another has characteristics of an Autism Spectrum Disorder and feels it would be supportive to identify or rule out whether a formal diagnosis is required.

OUTCOME

A formal report which aids in understanding how a person experiences the world and identifies whether they have characteristics matching the criteria for a formal diagnosis of an Autism Spectrum Disorder. The report also includes recommendations about how best to support the client in their natural settings.

WHAT'S INVOLVED?

- An initial interview with a significant carer (face-to-face, by phone or Skype)
- A questionnaire interview with the significant carer using CARS 2
- Two observations in different settings (e.g. home and school) or at two different times in the same setting
- A 50-minute consultation with the client at FABIC
- A comprehensive written report with recommendations
- A feedback session with the significant carer to review the information in the report

Test administered:

- The Childhood Autism Rating Scale 2nd edition (CARS 2)
- Information collated and referenced against Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-5: American Psychiatric Association)

HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE?

It takes approximately four weeks from the first meeting until you receive the final report.

LOCATION

The initial interviews and the questionnaire meeting take place at one of our FABIC offices or via telehealth. We then observe the person in their natural setting(s) where behaviour most frequently occurs. Multiple observations are possible, depending on each client's unique circumstances.

COSTS

Costs vary depending on each person's needs and are based on the clinician's standard fee (contact FABIC for details).