EHCP ASSESSMENTS

Helping you understand our EHCP assessment process

A clear guide to multidisciplinary assessments and reports that can support an Education, Health and Care needs assessment, an EHCP application or a review of an existing plan.

Starting with your child’s needs

Therapy4Kids provides EHCP-focused assessments and reports across Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, Speech and Language Therapy and Educational Psychology.

Each assessment is shaped around your child’s strengths, needs and educational experience. We work with families and education settings to gather the information needed to make clear, practical recommendations.

What the assessment package includes

- An initial parent consultation: 30 minutes for Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy or Speech and Language Therapy, and 50 minutes for Educational Psychology.
- A comprehensive assessment, usually at our Raynes Park practice.
- A school-based assessment where this is considered more appropriate following the initial parent consultation.
- Classroom observation and liaison with staff in your child’s current education setting.
- A structured report bringing together the assessment findings and school observations.

What the report covers

- Your child’s strengths and areas of need.
- Parent views and concerns.
- How your child is managing in their education setting.
- Support needed to access the curriculum and interact with peers.
- Recommendations about an appropriate education setting, where relevant.

Recommended support

- A clear outline of the support or provision recommended for the academic year.
- Therapeutic provision for Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy or Speech and Language Therapy, or educational support recommended by Educational Psychology.
- Short- and long-term outcomes for therapy assessments. These are not normally included in Educational Psychology assessments.

How recommendations are decided

The clinician decides the recommended outcomes and provision using their professional judgement, the assessment findings, classroom observations and information shared by your family and the education setting.

If a local authority asks Therapy4Kids to deliver Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy or Speech and Language Therapy, costed provision can be prepared separately. It is not included in the assessment report.

Typical timescale

We usually complete the report within six to eight weeks of the initial assessment, provided we receive the required documents and school visits and liaison can be arranged promptly. We will let you know if anything is likely to affect this timescale.

Understanding the EHCP outcome

Our assessment process is designed to provide clear evidence about your child's strengths, needs and the support that may help them participate and learn.

Therapy4Kids cannot guarantee the outcome of an EHCP application, assessment or review because the final decision is made by the relevant local authority.

You will have an opportunity to discuss your views and concerns with the clinician. You will also receive a copy of the report to review for factual accuracy and to raise any questions before it is finalised.

Ready to discuss an EHCP assessment?

Contact our team on 020 8605 2050 or email info@therapy4kids.co.uk. We can answer your questions and share availability for an initial consultation.

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