



Service Overview



Allied Health and Diagnostic Assessments

AQ has a multidisciplinary team of psychologists, speech pathologists, and occupational therapists qualified to conduct a range of assessments for all ages. Our holistic, collaborative assessments provide neurodiversity-affirming support that is tailored to each person's strengths and needs.

Clients seeking an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) diagnostic assessment with AQ are encouraged to consult with a paediatrician or psychiatrist (as well as their GP) to **obtain an appropriate referral letter**. With client consent, assessment results will be shared with their treating doctor(s) to support follow-up recommendations.

Initial Clinical Intake Interview

An initial clinical intake interview is conducted with all clients. This is to gather information and identify assessments best suited to the client. Navigating all this information can be overwhelming but our team can help make the process easier. Our professionals provide valuable guidance and support before, during, and after diagnosis.

Cost Breakdown

Service costs are calculated based on the standard hourly rate of \$193.99/hour for speech pathologists and occupational therapists; and \$222.99/hour for psychologists. The type of assessment package and prices may vary depending on the clinician's assessment of the client's needs (more information following).

Statewide Delivery: Available face-to-face at most AQ centres across Queensland, within the community (travel fees may apply), or statewide via Telepractice. Waitlists may apply.

Child & Adolescent Diagnostic Assessment

This assessment package is designed for children and adolescents who may require a comprehensive, multidisciplinary assessment to explore or review an ASD diagnosis in line with the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders – Fifth Edition* (DSM-5).



This assessment package typically includes:

- An initial clinical intake interview.
- Screening assessments.
- A detailed developmental case history (may include the *Autism Diagnostic Interview – Revised* [ADI-R] or similar).
- The *Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule – Second Edition* (ADOS-2) or a comparable tool.
- *Monteiro Interview Guidelines for Diagnosing the Autism Spectrum – Second Edition* (MIGDAS-2).
- Functional assessment (such as the *Adaptive Behavior Assessment System – Third Edition* [ABAS-3] or similar).
- Review, analysis, and a clinical report of findings.

Base Cost: From \$2500.

NDIS funding may be used (if applicable).

Please note: This service is tailored to the needs of the client and therefore prices will vary. Additional costs may apply for any recommended/additional assessments or appointments outside the core package.

Depending on the client's individual needs, we may also recommend:

- Additional assessments (e.g. cognitive or language).
- School, home, or community visits and observations.
- Questionnaires for stakeholders.
- Follow-up appointments to discuss results.

Did you know?

An estimated
1 in 40
Australians are
autistic.

Adult Diagnostic Assessment

This assessment package is designed for adults who may require a comprehensive, multidisciplinary assessment to explore or review an ASD diagnosis in line with the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders – Fifth Edition (DSM-5)*.



This assessment package typically includes:

- An initial clinical intake interview.
- Screening assessments.
- A detailed developmental case history (may include the *Autism Diagnostic Interview – Revised [ADI-R]* or similar).
- The *Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule – Second Edition (ADOS-2)* or a comparable tool.
- *Monteiro Interview Guidelines for Diagnosing the Autism Spectrum – Second Edition (MIGDAS-2)*.
- Functional assessment (such as the *Adaptive Behavior Assessment System – Third Edition [ABAS-3]* or similar).
- Review, analysis, and a clinical report of findings.

Base Cost: From \$2500.

NDIS funding may be used (if applicable).

Please note: This service is tailored to the needs of the client and therefore prices will vary. Additional costs may apply for any recommended/additional assessments or appointments outside the core package.

Depending on the client's individual needs, we may also recommend:

- Additional assessments (e.g. cognitive or language).
- Work, home, or community visits and observations.
- Questionnaires for stakeholders.
- Follow-up appointments to discuss results.

Final Diagnosis: Diagnostic guidelines recommend a psychiatrist or clinical psychologist formalise an ASD diagnosis for adults. Therefore, completed reports generated by this assessment package will need to be provided to one of these professionals for final review and, if appropriate, a formal diagnosis.

ADOS-2 Assessment

This package is suitable for clients whose paediatrician or psychiatrist has recommended an *Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule – Second Edition* (ADOS-2) assessment to support a suspected ASD diagnosis. Additional investigations or follow-up appointments may be required depending on the client's needs (additional costs apply).

This assessment package may include:

- An initial clinical intake interview.
- ADOS-2 or similar assessment tool.
- Review, analysis, and a clinical report of findings.

Base Cost: From \$1450.

NDIS funding may be used (if applicable).

Please note: *This service is tailored to the needs of the client and therefore prices will vary.*

Bespoke Assessments

A comprehensive functional assessment can guide therapy goals, recommend supports, or assist with funding applications. After an initial clinical intake interview, this package may include a single therapist or a multidisciplinary team deliver a tailored psychology, occupational therapy, or speech pathology assessment, review, and analysis (followed by a detailed clinical report).

Example assessments:

- Functional
- Speech, language, literacy
- Social communication
- Cognitive
- Executive functioning
- Fine & gross motor
- Sensory
- Behaviour
- ADHD
- Mental health
- Independence/task analysis
- Support Independent Living (SIL).

Base Cost: Assessments and reporting are costed at an hourly rate of \$193.99–\$ 222.99 (depending on the therapist/s involved). NDIS funding may be used (if applicable).



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