



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 diagnosis (ASD) or other diagnostic assessment 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 can 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.

Cost Breakdown

Service costs are calculated based on the standard hourly rate of \$193.99/hour for speech pathologists and occupational therapists and \$232.99/hour for psychologists. The type of assessment package and prices may vary depending on the client's assessment needs.

Please note: Assessment services are tailored to the needs of the client and therefore final prices may vary. Additional costs may apply for any recommended/additional assessments or appointments. Services are 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

These assessments are designed for children and adolescents who require a comprehensive, multidisciplinary assessment to explore or review an autism diagnosis in line with the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders – Fifth Edition Text Revision (DSM-5TR)*.

Did you know?

An estimated
1 in 40
Australians are
autistic.

These assessments can include:

- An initial clinical intake interview.
- Diagnostic questionnaires.
- A detailed developmental case history.
- *Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule – Second Edition (ADOS-2)*.
- *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.
- *Childhood Autism Rating Scale – Second Edition (CARS-2)*.
- Review, analysis, and a clinical report of findings.
- Follow up appointment to discuss results.

Cost: Between \$2,500 – \$3,500.
NDIS funding may be used (if applicable).

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.



Child & Adolescent Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) Assessment

This assessment is designed for children and adolescents who may require a comprehensive assessment from a psychologist to explore ADHD in line with the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders – Fifth Edition Text Revision (DSM-5TR)*. This can be completed in conjunction with an autism assessment, or as a standalone assessment.

This assessment can include:

- An initial clinical intake interview (if not already completed as part of our autism assessment).
- A *Diagnostic Interview for ADHD* in young people aged 5–17 (Young DIVA-5).
- Connors 4 rating scales.
- Functional assessment such as the *Adaptive Behavior Assessment System – Third Edition (ABAS-3)* or similar.
- Review, analysis, and a clinical report of findings.
- Follow up appointment to discuss results.

Cost: Approximately \$1,850 as a standalone assessment. NDIS funding may be used (if applicable).

ADOS-2 or MIGDAS-2 only Assessment

Suitable for clients whose paediatrician or psychiatrist has recommended an *Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule – Second Edition (ADOS-2)* assessment or *Monteiro Interview Guidelines for Diagnosing the Autism Spectrum – Second Edition (MIGDAS-2)* assessment to contribute information towards their autism assessment process. Additional investigations or follow-up appointments may be required depending on the client's needs (additional costs apply).

These assessments can include:

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

Cost: Between \$1,600 – 1,900. NDIS funding may be used (if applicable).

Adult Diagnostic Assessment

Designed for adults who may require a comprehensive, multidisciplinary assessment to explore or review an autism diagnosis in line with the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders – Fifth Edition Text Revision (DSM-5TR)*.



This assessment can include:

- An initial clinical intake interview.
- A detailed developmental case history.
- *Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule – Second Edition (ADOS-2)*.
- *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.
- Questionnaires for stakeholders.
- Review, analysis, and a clinical report of findings.
- Follow-up appointments to discuss results.

Cost: Between \$2,200 – \$3,500.
NDIS funding may be used (if applicable).

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.

Final Diagnosis: Diagnostic guidelines recommend a psychiatrist or clinical psychologist formalise an autism diagnosis for adults.

Therefore, completed reports generated by this assessment will need to be provided to one of these professionals for final review and a formal diagnosis.

Adult Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) Assessment

This assessment is designed for adults who may require a comprehensive assessment from a psychologist to explore ADHD in line with the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders – Fifth Edition Text Revision* (DSM-5TR). This can be completed in conjunction with an autism assessment, or as a standalone assessment.

This assessment can include:

- An initial clinical intake interview (if not already completed as part of our autism assessment).
- A *Diagnostic Interview for ADHD* in adults (DIVA).
- Brown executive functioning/attention scales.
- Functional assessment such as the *Adaptive Behavior Assessment System – Third Edition* (ABAS-3) or similar.
- Review, analysis, and a clinical report of findings.
- Follow up appointment to discuss results.

Cost: Approximately \$1,850 as a standalone assessment. NDIS funding may be used (if applicable).

Bespoke Assessments

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

Example assessments:

- Functional Assessment
- Speech, Language, and/or Literacy Assessments
- Cognitive or Learning Assessments

Cost: Assessments and reporting are costed at an hourly rate of \$193.99–\$ 232.99 (depending on the therapist/s involved). NDIS funding may be used (if applicable).



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