

INFORMED CONSENT FOR TESTING - Neuropsychological Testing

The following is information regarding policies that may affect you. I hope this information will answer any questions you may have, but if you have special concerns, please do not hesitate to discuss them with me at the first session. Please read this carefully and sign or initial on both pages.

Testing Information:

The purpose of this neuropsychological testing is to determine if your child has any learning issues (such as dyslexia, math learning disorder, reading disorder, disorder of written expression) or any attentional issues, (such as Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder) emotional issues, or any processing issues (language, memory, visual, auditory and fine motor) that may be affecting their learning and school performance. All of the tests that I give are standardized and supported by research to be valid and reliable instruments for the measurement of these issues. Please do not use these words with your child but tell them that we will be playing many games; some will feel like school, some will not. Science shows that proper identification of the problem is key in helping your child be successful and happy. The earlier the identification, the better the outcome.

Please read this carefully – here are the steps for testing and results:

1. There are a **total of 5 sessions** for the entire testing process. First there is a 1-hour intake session with parents, then 3 testing sessions with your child, then a feedback/report session for parents.
2. The **first session is the intake**, a 1-hour session for mother/father only. The fee for the intake session is \$600.
3. The **first two testing sessions** assess IQ and achievement are scheduled for 3 hours each session. The fee for each of these sessions is \$600. These sessions will be conducted by Jamie Hernandez, M.A. or Margot Vetrovsky, B.A..
4. Dr. Danielak will perform the **3rd session** which is neuropsychological and processing testing. This test is 1.5 hours in duration at a fee of \$600 for the session.
5. It takes approximately 10 – 14 days for us to score and interpret the test data and prepare the report. Thus, the **2-hour feedback and review session for mother and father** will be scheduled at least 2 weeks after the last testing session. Parents will receive a paper copy of the report during the session and will be emailed an electronic copy after the session. The fee for the report feedback session is \$1050.
6. The total for all five sessions is \$3450.00

** If Dr. Danielak determines during the first session that the assessment is going to be complex due to issues such as possible autism, significant developmental delays or an extremely large amount of records to review, **there could be an additional \$200 charge**. However, this will be discussed with you at the first session so we can decide how to proceed at that point. 90% of the clients do not fall into this category.

Initials: _____

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Although I do not file insurance, I will give you 2 insurance forms at each visit. I encourage you to send the top copy to your insurance company right away; do not wait until the end of testing – get the process going. BE SURE to add your member ID number, address, date of birth and any other identifying information. If your insurance company requires you to use their form, simply attach my forms to theirs and send. About 80% of my clients get some reimbursement.

Additional Information:

48-hour notice is needed if you cannot make your appointment or you will incur a charge for the **full amount** of the scheduled session. We have many patients on a waiting list, therefore we need at least 48 hours' notice to schedule someone who is waiting to be seen.

Payment is expected at the time of each session. Cash, check, Visa, and Master Card are accepted (not American Express). You will be given a receipt which you can submit to your insurance for reimbursement. Any arrangements other than payment at the time of service must be discussed with Dr. Danielak in advance.

Although Dr. Danielak is not on any insurance panels, a choice she made many years ago with regards to the quality of her practice and personal life, many of them still ask for paperwork to be completed so you can be reimbursed. Dr. Danielak has devised a compromise: **If asked to fill out paperwork from your insurance company or to call and talk to a reviewer, the fee is \$75.** We understand you may be reimbursed significant amounts of money, but working with insurance companies takes time away from clients. We will let you know in advance if this happens.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE POLICIES: (sign below)

_____ Date _____