

# Psychological Services: Assessing Learners Needs

**COMPONENT #: 4-411-001**

**POINTS TO BE EARNED: 120 MPP**

## **PART I – PLANNING**

**DESCRIPTION:** Write a brief description of content and intent of component.

This component is designed to enable the participant to research, examine, and implement the current theories, techniques, and trends in the areas of assessment and intervention.

**STANDARDS/FOCUS AREAS ADDRESSED BY COMPONENT:** Identify the standards, national/state/district imperatives, initiatives or key focus areas this component supports.

**Standards for Professional Learning** (choose one)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Learning Communities | <input type="checkbox"/> Learning Designs          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Implementation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Resources            | <input type="checkbox"/> Outcomes                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Data                 |  |

**Florida Educator Accomplished Practices** (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Instructional Design and Lesson Planning           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assessment                           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Learning Environment                | <input type="checkbox"/> Continuous Professional Improvement             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Instructional Delivery and Facilitation | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Responsibility and Ethical Conduct |

**Florida Leadership Standards** (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Learning Results          | <input type="checkbox"/> Decision Making                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Learning as a Priority    | <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Development             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Instructional Plan Implementation | <input type="checkbox"/> School Management                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Faculty Development               | <input type="checkbox"/> Communication                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Learning Environment              | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional and Ethical Behaviors |

**IPEGS Standards** (check all that apply)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PS 2 – Knowledge of Learners                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PS 6 – Communication |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PS 3 – Instructional Planning                           | <input type="checkbox"/> PS 7 – Professionalism          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PS 4 – Instructional Delivery and Engagement | <input type="checkbox"/> PS 8 – Learning Environment     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PS 5 – Assessment                            |  |

**IMPACT FOCUS AREA(S):** Select the intended impact focus area(s) from the choices below. Note that Impact Evaluation procedures should reflect this level of impact.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educator knowledge/skill (content) | <input type="checkbox"/> Student learning                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educator (professional growth)     | <input type="checkbox"/> Organizational support and change |

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**SPECIFIC LEARNER OUTCOMES:** Identify the intended learner outcomes (number and content of learner outcomes should be reflective of the total points participants will earn as a result of completing this learning).

1. Incorporate a variety of assessment principles to determine the most effective educational setting and conditions for students.
2. Apply current issues in assessment and intervention into service delivery models for students.
3. Incorporate assessment and intervention principles into reports.
4. Identify and assist in providing services to students of varying risk levels in the least restrictive environment.
5. Consult with other school professionals as to the best methods of intervening with at-risk students.

## PART II – LEARNING

**LEARNING PROCEDURES:** Describe the experiences (the “what”) and formats/methods (the “how”) that will be used to provide participants with the knowledge and skills sufficient to master the intended learner outcome of this component.

1. Participate actively in the instructor’s lectures and presentations on using psychological evaluations to address the needs of all students (SLO 1-5).
2. Participate in an interactive presentation on the applications of current research-based assessments to psychoeducational evaluations, the classroom, and identified student interventions based on the results of research-based assessment (SLO 1-5).

## PART III – IMPLEMENTATION

**IMPLEMENTATION PROCEDURES:** Method(s) and resource(s) that will be provided to support implementation of new learning for participants (check all that apply).

- Apply newly acquired professional knowledge, skills, dispositions, and behaviors to improve practice.
- Provide sufficient classroom- and school-focused support and assistance by skillful coaches, mentors, or others to the educator to ensure high-fidelity implementation of professional learning.
- Provide educators with web-based resources and assistance to support implementation of professional learning.

## PART IV – EVALUATION

**IMPACT EVALUATION PROCEDURES:** Describe the processes that will be used to determine the impact (as identified in previous section titled “Impact Focus Areas”). Description should reflect methods for determining at least ONE of those areas, and will include a specific section for each impact focus area identified for this component.

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1. Educator/Knowledge: Incorporate current research-based assessment techniques into his/her evaluations of students referred for psychoeducational testing. Utilize current research-based assessment techniques to determine the best interventions for children needing assistance as demonstrated through consultation with other professionals and parents.
2. Educator/Growth: Participant will develop a professional growth plan to incorporate assessment and application of results to interventions.

**COMPONENT EVALUATION PROCEDURES:** Describe the process(es) that will be used to determine the effectiveness of this component to include design, implementation and impact (check all that apply).

- Evaluate the impact of all professional learning on educator's practice through reflection, assessment, collaborative protocols for examining educator practice and work samples, peer visits, and/or professional portfolios.
- Determine the degree to which educator's professional learning contributed to student performance gains as measured by classroom assessment data.
- Use summative and formative data from state or national standardized student achievement measures, when available, or other measures of student learning and behavior such as district achievement tests, progress monitoring, educator-constructed tests, action research results, discipline referrals, and/or portfolios of student work to assess the impact of professional learning.

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