What happens after the assessment?

If you have a learning disability we will look at ways that we can help and support you.

If you do not have a learning disability we will talk to you about who might be able to help you best.



It is important to remember that people who have a learning disability can lead independent lives with the right support.

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I am being assessed for a Learning Disability



Information for people who use our services

What is a learning disability?

People who have a learning disability find every day activities difficult. Things like meeting other people, doing jobs in the house or managing their money.

People with a learning disability will take longer to learn new things. They may need support to develop new skills, understand complicated information and mix with other people.



A learning disability affects someone for their whole life.

What happens at the assessment?

We want to find out if you have a learning disability.

We will talk to you and the people who know you best.

This may be your family or the people who work with you.

We will ask about

- What you were like as a child
- How you did at school

What happens at the assessment?

We will ask someone who knows you well about your day to day skills.

- Things you find easy
- Things you find hard

This is called an ABAS assessment.

If we need more information we will do a cognitive assessment.

The assessment looks at how easy it is for you to do these things.

- Understanding words
- Solving problems
- Remembering things
- Thinking quickly

To test this, we will do some tasks together and we will ask you some questions.

The staff doing the assessment will talk to you about any questions that you have.

