

**Special Education - Independent Educational Evaluation**

When an independent educational evaluation is conducted at public (local taxpayer) expense, the criteria under which the evaluation is obtained shall be the same as the criteria which the local education agency uses when it initiates an evaluation. These criteria (standards) are established by Chapter Ed 1107 of the New Hampshire Rules for the Education of Children with Disabilities. The district has established rates and maximum allowable charges for specific assessments:

- Academic up to \$450.00 @ \$90.00/hour
- Adaptive Behavior up to \$600.00 @ \$120.00/ hour
- Communication Skills up to \$250.00 @ \$85.00/ hour
- Health up to \$360.00 @ \$180.00/hour
- Hearing (Audiological) up to \$500.00
- Intelligence/Cognitive up to \$600.00 @ \$120.00/hour
- Motor Ability up to \$425.00 @ \$85.00/hour
- Neuropsychological up to \$5000.00 @ \$110/hour
- Observation up to \$180.00 @ \$90.00/hour
- Social/Emotional Status up to \$600.00 @ \$120.00/ hour
- Vision up to \$250.00
- Vocational up to \$650.00
- Physical Therapy up to \$425.00 @ \$85.00 per hour

The term evaluation means actual testing and a written report ending with at least a one paragraph summary statement.

Reimbursement for travel related to independent evaluation shall be limited to a total distance of 150 miles paid at the standard federal rate.

The Local Education Agency Special Education director may exceed this established fee schedule if it can be demonstrated that unique circumstances exist which justify the expenditure.

Resources for Independent Evaluations are available upon request of the parent/guardian.

\*Rates are subject to annual review and adjustment by the School Board.

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