

POSSIBLE SOURCES OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

***THIS PAGE TO BE KEPT BY STUDENT**

Dear Student:

The following information is intended to help you determine how to cover the cost of your evaluation at the Regents Center for Learning Disorders at GSU (RCLD).

Many students ask whether their private health insurance, PPO, HMO, etc., will cover part or all of the cost. Although, the RCLD does not file for insurance or accept assignment, we will gladly provide you with standard billing information, which many insurance companies require, but you are responsible for the \$500 assessment charge before your evaluation can begin.

We can accept payment in a variety of forms: cash, checks, money orders, and credit cards. Online payment is available on our website: <https://rclid.gsu.edu/>

If, after you have completed your evaluation, you decide that you want to send your paid bill to your insurance company so that they can reimburse you, this is your responsibility. Once your evaluation has been completed, we will be glad to provide your insurance company with a list of the actual tests we used, if that is requested.

Because there are hundreds of insurance carriers and special health care organizations (HMO, PPO, IPA, EAP, etc.), in addition to numerous programs and types of policies within each company, we cannot provide you with specific details regarding your health insurance plan coverage. It is your responsibility to verify coverage with your insurance company, and if covered, what documentation is required for you to receive reimbursement after your RCLD evaluation is completed.

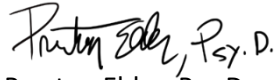
The RCLD is not a specified preferred provider nor enrolled as a provider in any health plan in the State of Georgia. Many insurance companies will not pay for any evaluation or testing unless you use a professional on the provider roll or organizational list. It may be important to explain to your insurance company that the evaluation you are receiving would cost about three to five times as much if obtained from most other providers, and that they will save money by using the RCLD.

If you plan to ask your insurance company to pay for your testing, you will need to inform them that you will be having comprehensive psychological evaluation, which is designed to identify why you are having trouble in school. All testing is done under the supervision of a psychologist licensed in the State of Georgia, and our fee is a set \$500 for the complete evaluation.

Students using Medicare, Medicaid, CHAMPUS, or other governmental agency system, such as the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency, should contact their case manager to discuss options regarding payment of the evaluation fee. If you receive funding from such a source, a letter of intent to pay is required from the agency before an RCLD evaluation can begin.

Evaluation scholarships may be available through your referring/home institutions. You should consult with the disability service provider at your school about this. Some institutions will allow the cost of the evaluation to be included in the student's financial aid package. You should ask your financial aid office whether this is an option.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Preston Elder, Psy.D.", written in a cursive style.

Preston Elder, Psy.D.

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