



# Types of disability evidence

Primary disability	Treating health professional	Disability evidence
<b>Acquired brain injury</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ABI health professional</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Care and Needs Scale (CANS)</li> <li>• World Health Organisation disability assessment schedule (WHODAS 2.0) for 17 years + or PEDI-CAT for 16 years and under</li> <li>• <a href="https://www.who.int/classifications/icf/WHODAS2.0_36itemsSELF.pdf">https://www.who.int/classifications/icf/WHODAS2.0_36itemsSELF.pdf</a></li> </ul>
<b>Autism</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Psychologist</li> <li>• Occupational therapist</li> <li>• Speech pathologist</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders, fifth edition (DSM-V)</li> <li>• Vineland adaptive behavior scale (Vineland-II)</li> <li>• World Health Organisation disability assessment schedule (WHODAS) 2.0 (17 years and over) or</li> <li>• PEDI-CAT (16 years and under)</li> </ul>
<b>Cerebral Palsy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Occupational Therapist</li> <li>• Physical Therapist</li> <li>• Pediatrician</li> <li>• Physiotherapist</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gross motor functional classification scale (GMFCS)</li> <li>• Other: Manual ability classification scale (MACS)</li> <li>• Other: Communication function classification system (CFCS)</li> </ul>
<b>Hearing impairment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Audiologist</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders, fifth edition (DSM-V)</li> <li>• Vineland adaptive behavior scale (Vineland-II)</li> <li>• World Health Organisation disability assessment schedule (WHODAS) 2.0 (17 years and over) or PEDI-CAT (16 years and under)</li> </ul>
<b>Intellectual disability Developmental delay Global developmental delay Down syndrome</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Psychologist</li> <li>• Occupational Therapist</li> <li>• Speech Therapist</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders, fifth edition (DSM-V)</li> <li>• Vineland adaptive behavior scale (Vineland-II)</li> <li>• World Health Organisation disability assessment schedule (WHODAS) 2.0 (17 years and over) or PEDI-CAT (16 years and under)</li> </ul>

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<b>Multiple sclerosis</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Neurologist</li> <li>• Disease steps trained Nurse examiner</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disease steps</li> <li>• Patient determined disease steps (PDDS)</li> <li>• Other: Expanded disability status scale (EDSS)</li> </ul>
<b>Psychosocial disability</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HoNOS trained clinical mental health staff</li> <li>• Clinical psychiatric staff</li> <li>• Mental Health Occupational Therapist</li> <li>• Psychologist</li> <li>• Psychiatrist</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health of the nation survey (HONOS)</li> <li>• Life skills profile – 16 item (LSP-16)</li> <li>• World Health Organisation disability assessment schedule (WHODAS) 2.0 (17 years and over) or,</li> <li>• PEDI-CAT (16 years and under)</li> </ul>
<b>Spinal cord injury</b>	<p>Any member of a multidisciplinary team:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Neurologist</li> <li>• Physiotherapist</li> <li>• Occupational Therapist</li> <li>• Recreational Therapist</li> <li>• Psychologist</li> <li>• Psychiatrist</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Level of lesion, or</li> <li>• American spinal injury association impairment scale (ASIA/AIS)</li> <li>• World Health Organisation disability assessment schedule (WHODAS) 2.0 (17 years and over) or</li> <li>• PEDI-CAT (16 years and under)</li> </ul>
<b>Stroke</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Neurologist</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Modified Rankin Scale 9 (mRS)</li> </ul>
<b>Vision impairment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ophthalmologist</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vision impairment questionnaire (17 years and over) or</li> <li>• PEDI-CAT (16 years and under)</li> <li>• Other: Visual acuity rating</li> </ul>
<b>Other</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Occupational Therapist</li> <li>• Speech Therapist</li> <li>• Physiotherapist</li> <li>• Social Worker</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Health Organization disability assessment schedule (WHODAS) 2.0 (17 years and over)</li> <li>• PEDI-CAT (16 years and under)</li> </ul>

Above information has been taken from the NDIS website effective May 2019