

Disability Services Health Care Professional Certification Form

Additional information

The accompanying form is to be completed by an eligible Health Care Professional who is familiar with the student's disability, medical condition or mental health condition, and is able to provide an evaluation of the level of impact of the condition/circumstances that may have caused impacts or may have prevented the student from attending an examination, completing an assessment task, or attending relevant classes or sessions.

Federation University is committed to providing services, study and assessment adjustments which aim to minimise the impact on learning for students with a disability and to enable full and equal participation in university life.

In order to meet its obligations under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992, Disability and Learning Access Officers (DLAOs) identify reasonable adjustments and services after receiving this report, completed by the student's Health Care Professional.

A health care professional must be AHPRA registered Medical Practitioners (GPs), AHPRA registered Clinical Psychologists. AHPRA registered Psychiatrists. Occupational Therapists, Audiologists, Ophthalmologists, Federation University Counselling service staff, or Registered Counsellors (being a member of one of the APS, the AASW, or the ACA).

Note: Specific Learning Disabilities, such as Dyslexia, are permanent. Past diagnostic evidence such as an Assessment from an Educational Psychologist, assists DLAOs to produce Learning Access Plans (LAPs) and apply specialists' recommendations for learning success. Students should contact the Disability and Learning Access Unit for advice if formal assessment documents are not available.

Recommendations in this Health Care Professional Certification Form are included in a LAP to inform academic and administrative staff about reasonable academic adjustments to learning and assessment programs.

Eligible Health Care Professionals

Eligible health care professionals include, but are not limited to:

- AHPRA registered General Practitioners (GPs);
- AHPRA registered Psychiatrists;
- AHPRA registered Psychologists;
- University or Partner Provider Counselling service staff; or
- Registered Counsellor (being a member of one of the APS, the AASW, or the ACA;
- PACFA (Psychotherapy and Counselling Federation of Australia);
- Other AHPRA registered practitioners which diagnose and treat medical conditions.

Health Care Professional Certification forms which do not contain all of the required information will not be accepted.

Evaluating the impact of a condition/circumstance

The Health Care Professional Certification (Disability Services) form requires the professional to rate the level of impact a condition/circumstance has on a student's ability to attend examinations, complete assessments, or attend relevant classes or sessions.

Unwilling or unable to use University's Disability Services Health Care Professional Certification

If the appropriate professional is unwilling or unable to use the University's Health Care Professional Certification (Disability Services) form, the University will accept a medical certificate (bearing the Provider/Licence/Registration number and Official Stamp), stating in reasonable detail:

- The dates of any relevant consultations or attendances;
- If relevant, the nature of the complaint and the treatment; and
- A specific statement that in the health care professional's opinion (**not the** student's opinion) that, as a result of the disability, medical condition or mental health condition, the student is, or was impacted in a way that means they are unable to undertake the assessment or examination.

Please note: Medical Certificates which do not contain all this information will not be accepted. The University may contact the Health Care Professional to verify details contained on this form.

Privacy and Confidentiality

The purpose of this documentation is to provide medical evidence to support reasonable adjustments.

Confidentiality in accordance with the university's Privacy Policy is

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http://policy.federation.edu.au/university/general/information_privacy/ch01.php

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Student to complete:

Personal Details					
Fed Student ID No.					
Student Name					
Health Professional to complete in consultation with student:					
Patient	First Contact	Ongoing P	atient		
Consultation dates (most recent, max. six)					
Name of disability, medical condition or mental health condition					
Disability, medical condition or mental health condition details (Please select type)	O Chronic illness/n	nedical condition	O Mobility/Physical	 Learning Disability 	
	Neurological	Mental health	○ Sensory	○ Intellectual	
	Other (Please specify):				
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Recommendations / additional information /				
What strategies or adjustments would you recommend to minimise the impact of the disability, medical condition or mental health condition?				
For example: short extensions to complete written assessment, extra time in examinations, regular rest breaks, reduced study load, etc.				
Are you related to the student?				
Health Care Professional Details and Declaration PRINT THIS FORM.				

Health Care Professional Details and Declaration Name Address Postcode Telephone Signature Type of Health Care Professional AHPRA / Provider No Date Date

and sign and date in the space provided above. After your treating health care professional has filled it out, please hand in to the Disability and Learning Access Officer you are registered with or email to disability@federation.edu.au with any additional evidence you may think is important.

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