UNDERSTANDING an AUTISM EVALUATION REPORT

Referral Information
List of specific tools, questionnaires and checklists used along with other information used such as review of records or other evaluation reports.

Evaluation Components
Usually short and provides basic information about who referred your child and why.

Background or History
Includes developmental, medical, social and educational history of your child. May also include current concerns, services or therapies.

Summary of Findings
Includes the results of all evaluation components. Results may be presented in tables or paragraph form. Providers will write results differently but should always include information about your child’s functioning and scores.

Results
The results of the evaluation come together in a detailed picture of your child and include explanations for the concerns that prompted the evaluation.

Diagnoses
Includes a list of any diagnoses given as a result of the evaluation and whether your child has autism. It may also include diagnoses given from other providers.

Recommendations
This is the most important section and should contain information about "next steps" and places to find additional help. This may include specific therapies, additional testing, medication consultation or helpful books and/or websites.

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