

Students with Disability Assessment Service

Term 2 Assessment Service Update

May 2025

Welcome to the Term 2 newsletter from the Students with Disability Assessment Service (SwD-AS).

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Referrals for future students commencing school in 2026

Referrals for students commencing school in 2026, including Prep/Foundation students, will be accepted from 12 May 2025. Referrals are accepted from schools only, and not preschools or parents. Schools should liaise with early childhood settings to complete the teacher referral form and Vineland-3 assessment and cover sheet. Please mention to our staff at the time of referral if a student is not currently attending an early childhood setting.

Assessments will commence from **2 June 2025** when referral documents have been received and marked as complete.

Timelines for referring current students

A reminder that schools can contact us with referrals for current students at any time. The 10-week period recommended before requesting a Disability Inclusion Profile **does not apply** to referrals for assessment through our service.

Completing the Vineland-3 assessment

Now that we are well into Term 2 the Vineland-3 assessment should be completed by this year's teachers. 2024 teachers have not worked with students recently enough to complete an accurate assessment.

Schools are strongly encouraged to complete the Vineland-3 assessment through our service if they are planning a referral for a cognitive assessment. This helps to ensure results can be easily verified and avoids delays and extra work if assessments need to be repeated.

Schools' Dashboard

All schools have access to their own personalised Dashboard. This offers a quick and efficient option to check on the progress and current status of referrals. You are welcome to follow up with a phone call or email if you need any more information.

Log in to School Dashboard

Are you interested in more information?

Visit our website for more information about:

- · how our service works
- intellectual developmental disorder and language disorder
- Frequently Asked Questions and other useful documents

You might also be interested in watching these webinars about intellectual developmental disorder and assessment of adaptive behaviour using the Vineland-3:

<u>Understanding intellectual developmental disorder</u>

Assessing adaptive behaviour using the Vineland-3.

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