**Disability Assessment Resources**

**Student Access Services (SAS) at Wenatchee Valley College (WVC) does not conduct formal evaluations or provide any diagnostic testing.**

*This page provides information to help students and their families to find evaluation options in the Wenatchee and Omak areas.*

*Because processes can change, always contact providers directly to confirm current requirements, wait times, and costs.*

# Types of Evaluations

There are many types of evaluations and assessments out there. Below are a few examples of evaluations that can assist with disability accommodations.

## Psychoeducational Evaluation

A thorough assessment of a person’s academic skills, learning strengths, and cognitive abilities. The primary goal is to identify disabilities that affect learning (e.g., reading disabilities, Autism Spectrum Disorder, mood disorders). These evaluations are most commonly done in K–12 settings by a licensed psychologist, school psychologist, or trained special education professional. In adulthood, psychoeducational testing can be somewhat harder to access.

## Neuropsychological Evaluation

A comprehensive assessment of brain-related functions such as attention, memory, problem-solving, language, and executive functioning, as well as academic skills. These tests are usually performed by a professional with specialized training in this type of assessment, such as a licensed psychologist/school psychologist. Neuropsychological Evaluations often focus on diagnosis conditions and guiding treatment or therapy, and generally place less emphasis on the academic impact than psychoeducational evaluations.

## Psychological Evaluation

An in-depth assessment designed to understand a person’s mental health, emotional functioning, and behavioral patterns. These evaluations are conducted by a licensed psychologist, psychiatrist, or other trained mental health professionals. Depending on the individual’s needs, the evaluation may include interviews, emotional assessments, personality tests, cognitive tests, or behavioral questionnaires.

# How to Get Started with an Evaluation

## General Process

In many cases, you’ll need a referral from your Primary Care Provider (PCP) or another healthcare provider. Make an appointment with them to discuss your needs/concerns.

## High School Students and Running Start

You may request an evaluation from your school psychologist if you are currently enrolled in a Washington State school district. Contact them before you graduate if you need diagnostic support.

## Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)

DVR may conduct any number of evaluations to help identify barriers to employment. These barriers and employment goals may be relevant to your education at WVC. DVR intake assessments can take up to two months to complete and DVR continues to focus on vocational assessments for about three months following those evaluations. This service is unique for each person.

* [Wenatchee DVR Office](https://www.dshs.wa.gov/location/dshs-dvr-wenatchee)
* [Omak DVR Office](https://www.dshs.wa.gov/location/dshs-dvr-omak)

# Considerations

## Time Commitment

Completing the process, from scheduling the appointment with your primary care provider to receiving the results of your evaluation, will take at least several months.
For instance, at CVCH, established patients can usually get a PCP appointment within about three weeks. After that, pre-testing appointments with a psychologist may be scheduled several months out.

Initial appointment and final test results review appointments generally last 45 to 60 minutes. Testing appointments may last several hours, depending on the requirements of the particular assessments.

## Cost and Insurance Coverage

In many situations, insurance companies (including state insurance) may cover the costs associated with these evaluations. Contact your insurance company directly to find out more about your specific coverage.

The cost of evaluations vary widely and are difficult to quote. Offices may provide a quote upon request or may share on their webpage. Some offices may provide financial aid options and sliding scales, to assist with costs. Ask about these options with their office.

# List of Providers

Last updated August 2025. The following providers are provided for information only. WVC SAS does not endorse any of the specific providers listed below. However, WVC is affiliated with CVCH, which you may read more about on the [WVC CVCH webpage](/students/support/health-clinic/index.html).

## Greater Wenatchee Area

### Confluence Health

* **Locations:** https://www.confluencehealth.org/locations/
* Website: <https://www.confluencehealth.org/>
* Phone: 509-663-8711

### Columbia Valley Community Health (CVCH)

* **Locations**: <https://cvch.org/our-locations>
* Website: <https://cvch.org/>
* Phone: 509-662-6000

### Wenatchee DVR Office

* **Location:** 805 S. Mission St. Wenatchee, WA. 98801
* Website: <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/location/dshs-dvr-wenatchee>
* Phone: 509-665-5375
* Email: DVRWenatcheeReferral@dshs.wa.gov

## Greater Omak Area

### Okanogan Behavioral Healthcare

* **Location:** Omak, WA.
* Website: <https://www.okbhc.org/>
* Phone: 509-826-6191
* TTY: 509-826-2113

### Confluence Health

* **Locations:** <https://www.confluencehealth.org/locations/>
* Website: <https://www.confluencehealth.org/>
* Phone: 509-663-8711

### Columbia Valley Community Health (CVCH)

* **Locations**: <https://cvch.org/our-locations>
* [WVC Campus CVCH information](/students/support/health-clinic/index.html)
* Website: <https://cvch.org/>
* Phone: 509-662-6000

### Omak DVR Office

* **Location:** 126 Main St. S. Omak, WA. 98841
* Website: <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/location/dshs-dvr-omak>
* Phone: (509) 826-7568
* Email: DVROmakReferral@dshs.wa.gov

## Remote and Other Areas

### Fischer Psychology

* **Location:** telehealth options; Issaquah, WA.
* Website: <https://www.drfischerpsychology.com/>
* Phone: 425-448-8183

### Mindful Therapy Group

* **Location:** Varies, remote services available
* Website: <https://mindfultherapygroup.com/>
* Phone: 206-294-3292
* Text: 425-321-3920
* Email: telehealth@mindfultherapygroup.com

### Valley Psychological Services

* **Location:** Ellensburg, WA.
* Phone: (509) 968-5086
* Website: <https://valley-psych.com/>

### MasterMind Psychology, P.S.

* **Location:** Spokane, WA.
* Website: <https://mastermindpsychologyspokane.com/>
* Phone: 509-474-1783

### Yellow Brick Clinic

* **Age Group:** 2-25 years old
* **Location:** Remote services
* Website: <https://www.yellowbrickclinic.com>
* Email: info@yellowbrickclinic.com
* Phone: 425-777-5467

### Northwest Autism Center

* **Age Group:** Free screening up to age 21, options available for older adults.
* **Location:** Spokane WA.; some remote services available
* Website: <https://nwautism.org>
* Email: info@nwautism.org
* Phone: 509-204-8483