IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING CHILD PSYCHOEDUCATIONAL ASSESSMENTS:

The Psychology Clinic only offers this service once per year for a short period of time as it is tied to a specific student training experience. As a result, it is very important for physicians and parents/guardians to know the following information:

- Referrals are only accepted starting on May 1 of each year. The referrals will only be accepted until we have received a sufficient number of referrals for the anticipated spots we have that year. Referrals received prior to May 1 or after the waitlist has been closed again will be declined. The referring physician will be notified regarding the status of the referral. Parents should contact their physician for this information.
- These assessments are conducted between June – August
- There are only very limited spots.
- Parents will be contacted 1-2 weeks prior to when the assessment is to be conducted to arrange the assessment appointments. It is important that they and their child are available to attend the appointments offered to them. Although we may have a small amount of flexibility regarding the timing of the assessment, that flexibility is limited and is generally a range of days, occasionally weeks. If the family is unable to come for the assessment during this time, it is not possible to schedule it at a later time in the year and the child’s referral will be closed. Once an assessment spot has been offered to a family, we do not allow the option of staying on the waiting list until the next year. We understand that this can be challenging for families especially during the summer time. However, it is an unavoidable limit of our service.
- We do our best to only accept referrals for children we have the capacity to assess that year. However, it is not always possible to predict the exact number of assessments we can conduct. If the number of referrals accepted exceeds the number of actual assessments we are able to conduct then, in this case only, the child’s referral will be kept on the waiting list for the following year. However, we strongly advise both the child’s physician and parents to look into alternative services in this circumstance as a year is a very long time for a child to wait for a needed assessment and a delay could impact the child’s academic and emotional functioning.

Sincerely,

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