



What to Expect + What to Bring

What Comes Next

You'll get your intake paperwork by email within 48 business hours. Please complete it to keep your scheduling moving forward.

What a Diagnostic Evaluation Is

A diagnostic evaluation is a thoughtful, evidence-based process to understand your child's strengths, challenges, and development. It's not one "test," but a blend of:

- Caregiver history
- Observation
- Structured assessment
- Professional interpretation

This helps clinicians see the whole picture.

What You Might Bring (Simple Checklist)

Help the team see your child clearly by bringing:

- ✓ Your child's comfort items (favorite toy, snack, tablet)
- ✓ Notes about developmental milestones and behaviors you've noticed
- ✓ Any relevant records (medical, therapy, school)
- ✓ A list of any questions you have about autism, the process, or the next steps
- ✓ If helpful, a second adult for support or to take notes

Thoughtful preparation can make the visit calmer and more productive.

What to Expect at the Appointment

Clinical evaluations may include:

- Questions about your child's development
- Play-based observation
- Standardized assessments appropriate for age
- Time to talk about your child's interaction and communication

Evaluations are designed to feel natural for your child.

After the Evaluation

You'll receive feedback and guidance on next steps. Even if there isn't a specific diagnosis, the information gathered can help you plan supports and responses going forward.