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WHO



Rehabilitation Initial Diagnosis and Assessment for Clients (RIDAC) is a division of ARS Special Programs. Nicholas Paal, Ph.D., is the Director of RIDAC. You may reach his office, located at 525 West Capitol Avenue, in Little Rock, by calling 686-2812.

WHAT

A group of psychological examiners, psychologists and physicians that assist in testing and plan development. RIDAC staff help determine appropriateness of referrals, provide consultations regarding existing data and available external records received by counselors for the master files and, when necessary, provide on-site evaluations.



WHEN

Only after a case has been opened and there is a need for clarification of a disability and/or appropriate programming. A RIDAC Service Authorization (RS-324) should be completed and an evaluation consent form should be signed by the client. If the client is under 18 or is an adult with a legal guardian, a parent/guardian must sign the consent form.

WHERE

Counselors may schedule an appointment with RIDAC examiners and/or physicians who will be in the local field offices on a regularly scheduled days. The schedule will be sent out at the beginning of each four week cycle.

WHY

To better help the counselors determine vocational rehabilitation needs, compensatory interventions, remediation recommendations, limitations and abilities of their clients.

HOW

There are several psychological tests that may be administered to help determine client ability and vocational preferences. Physicians provide medical evaluations and consultation reports. Mental health evaluations and clinical interviews are completed by psychological and medical staff.



PSYCHOLOGICAL TESTS

ACHIEVEMENT

- Wide Range Achievement Test
- Kaufman Functional Academic Skills Test
- Wechsler Individual Achievement Test
- Nelson-Denny Reading Test

INTELLIGENCE/ABILITY/APTITUDE

- Shipley Institute of Living Scale - 2
- Wonderlic Personnel and Scholastic Level Exams
- WAIS-IV (Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale); WASI-II (Abbreviated Wechsler)
- Test of Nonverbal Intelligence 3 (TONI-3)
- Beta-III

CAREER ASSESSMENT/INTEREST INVENTORIES

- Self-Directed Search
- Reading Free Vocational Interest Inventory
- Career Assessment Inventory
- Wide Range Opinion Test

PERSONALITY ASSESSMENT FOR VOCATIONAL USE

- Beck Depression Scale
- Beck Anxiety Scale
- Personality Assessment Inventory
- 16 PF (16 Personality Factors)
- MMPI - 2 RF

NEUROPSYCHOLOGICAL BATTERIES AND SCREENING/ASSESSMENT

- Cognistat-Neurobehavioral Status Examination
- Wisconsin Card Sorting Test
- Trails A & B Tests; Conner's Continuous Performance Test
- Hooper Visual Organization Test

