



Ptarmigan Pediatrics, LLC
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Dear Parents,

In order to perform a thorough evaluation of your child's learning capabilities and behavior, there is some important information that we need to obtain from you and your child's teacher(s). The checklist below outlines what information is needed to begin the process.

Package:

- Your child's medical records (If you need us to request records from a previous provider you may fill out a records request at our front desk)
- Teacher/School questionnaire (available at our front desk)
- Parent questionnaire – Please be as complete and provide as much detail and description as possible (available at our front desk)
- Hearing and Vision screening (if available) – These screening tests are routinely done by the school nurse(s) in the public school system for children in grades K, 1, 3 and 5. Parents can also request screening tests at anytime for a child in a grade other than those mentioned. For preschoolers or those not in the public school system, please check with the clinic staff for information on how to arrange the screening tests.
- Current Individualized Education Plan (IEP), if any
- Any past testing performed by mental health providers, school psychologists or resource teachers

After you've gathered all the information, bring the package to our office and a physician will review it. Once the package has been reviewed, our office nurse will contact you to schedule an initial appointment. Plan on the initial appointment lasting at least 45 minutes.

We hope this letter explains what you need for the initial appointment. Please feel free to call our office at 907-357-4543 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Thursday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, if you have any questions. We look forward to meeting with you and your child.

Sincerely,

Laura Peterson, M.D.
Dr. Bruce W. Hess, D.O.



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Description of Problem (continued)

When did you start noticing these problems? _____

What do you think maybe causing these problems? _____

What have you tried to do in the past to deal with these problems? _____

Has a psychiatrist, psychologist, doctor, social worker or other health care/educational professional ever seen this child for these problems? Yes / No (If yes, please state when, why and by whom they were seen) _____

Has anyone else in the family been seen for similar problems as those that this child is having? Yes / No (If yes, please state when, why and who saw them) _____



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Description of Problem (continued)

Has your child previously been evaluated or tested for intellectual, learning, developmental or psychological problems? Yes / No (If yes, please state when, why and by whom they were seen and bring in a copy of the evaluation if possible)

Medical History

Were there any problems or complications while you were pregnant with this child? Yes / No (If yes, please explain)

Was this child born prematurely, at full term or was he/she overdue? (please circle one)

What was the child's birth weight? _____

Please list any illness/injuries/conditions this child has had: _____

Has the child ever been hospitalized? Yes / No (If yes, please list dates of and reasons for hospitalization)



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Medical History (continued)

Does your child take any medications now? Yes / No (If yes, please list name(s) of medication(s) and the amount he/she takes per day) _____

Has the child ever taken medicine to control his/her behavior? Yes / No (If yes, please state when medication was taken, the name of the medication, amount per day and what effects it had on the behavior) _____

Development

Please give the age when your child:

Sat alone _____ Stood alone _____ Walked alone _____

Toilet trained during the day _____ Toilet trained at night _____

Talked well _____ Tied shoestring alone _____

Did he/she develop as quickly as his/her brothers and sisters? Yes / No / NA

Family

Please list all the adults who live in the same household as the child:

Name	Age	Relation to Child	Occupation	Education
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Is/Are the parent(s) listed above the biological parent(s)? Yes / No



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Family (continued)

Is the child adopted? Yes / No If yes, does the child know? Yes / No

Was either parent separated, divorced or widowed? Yes / No

List full names of all children either living in or out of the household:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation/School grade</u>	<u>Living at home</u>
_____			Yes / No
_____			Yes / No
_____			Yes / No
_____			Yes / No
_____			Yes / No
_____			Yes / No
_____			Yes / No
_____			Yes / No

Please circle answer:

- Are there any serious problems in the family? Yes / No
- Are there marital problems? Yes / No
- Are there financial problems? Yes / No
- Is either parent having emotional problems? Yes / No
- Are there arguments about how to raise this child? Yes / No

Do any of the child's blood relatives have a history of: (if yes, who)

Epilepsy or convulsions	Yes / No	_____
Reading problems	Yes / No	_____
Attention Deficit Disorder	Yes / No	_____
Diabetes	Yes / No	_____
Nervous system disease	Yes / No	_____
Mental illness	Yes / No	_____
Other chronic illness	Yes / No	_____



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Schools

Were any grades skipped? Yes / No Which one(s)? _____

Were any grades repeated? Yes / No Which one(s)? _____

Is the child in any special classes? Yes / No (If yes, explain) _____

Did this child attend nursery school or kindergarten? Yes / No

Does this child have difficulties with schoolwork? Yes / No

Does this child trouble getting ready for or getting to school? Yes / No

Has this child ever been suspended from school? Yes / No

Have you had a conference with this child's teacher in the past month? Yes / No

How many schools has this child attended? _____

How many school days has this child missed so far this year? _____

Approximately how many school days were missed last year? _____

Friends

Gets along with children the same age? Yes / No

Trouble keeping friends? Yes / No

Fights a lot with children or defiant with adults? Yes / No

Prefers to play alone? Yes / No

Close friend(s)? Yes / No



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Mood

- Is your child often tense? Yes / No
- Does your child worry a lot? Yes / No
- Is your child unhappy often? Yes / No
- Is your child angry often? Yes / No
- Readily talks when bothered by something? Yes / No
- Talks to him/herself? Yes / No
- Has mood similar to a parent? Yes / No

Discipline

- Is your child difficult to discipline? Yes / No
- Does your child break rules often? Yes / No
- Does your child quarrel a lot with brothers and sisters? Yes / No / NA
- Does your child have a sense of what is right and wrong? Yes / No

What method of discipline do you use? _____

Who does the disciplining? _____



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Other Information

Please circle the items below which describe your child:

Muscle/joints ache
 Headaches
 Cries excessively
 Frequent daydreaming
 Gets teased
 Restless sleeper
 Suicide attempt
 Concentration problem
 Soiling underwear
 Constipation

Clumsy
 Dizzy/fainting spells
 Nervous/high strung
 Thumb sucking
 Temper tantrums
 Recently gained/lost weight
 Physical complaints
 Daytime wetting
 Bedwetting
 Highly conscientious

Hard to waken
 Lazy
 Bites nails
 Restless/overactive
 Appears tired
 Nightmares
 Trouble getting to sleep
 Sexual problems
 Running away
 Indigestion/nausea

What three characteristics do you like best about your child?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

What three characteristics concern you the most?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____
