

## Criteria for Evidence of Disability (E.O.D.)

Disability	Evidence & Eligibility Criteria	Age of Report
<b>Autistic Spectrum Disorder</b>	A report from a Consultant Psychiatrist OR Psychologist OR Neurologist OR Paediatrician providing a diagnosis of autism	No age limit
<b>Attention Deficit Disorder</b> <b>Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder</b>	A report from an appropriately qualified Consultant Psychiatrist OR Psychologist OR Neurologist OR Paediatrician providing a diagnosis of ADD/ADHD	No age limit
<b>Blind/Vision Impaired</b>	<p>A report from one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ophthalmologist/Ophthalmic Surgeon providing a diagnosis of severe reduction in vision that cannot be corrected with standard glasses or contact lenses. The diagnosis must be in relation to Best Corrected Visual Acuity or Field of Vision</li> <li>• A letter from the National Council for the Blind Ireland confirming registration</li> <li>• A letter from the principal from a school for the Blind confirming attendance</li> </ul>	No age limit
<b>Deaf/Hard of Hearing</b>	<p>A report from one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An audiogram from a professionally qualified Audiologist and/or ENT Consultant, indicating moderate to profound bilateral hearing loss (i.e. above 40dB)</li> <li>• A letter from the principal from a school for the Deaf confirming attendance</li> </ul>	No age limit
<b>Developmental Co-ordination Disorder (Dyspraxia/Dysgraphia)</b>	<p>A report from a Psychologist OR an Occupational Therapist OR Neurologist diagnosing Developmental Co-ordination Disorder (Dyspraxia)</p> <p>The CAO/DARE Evidence of Disability Form is <b>not</b> acceptable evidence of disability for this category of disability</p>	No age limit
<b>Mental Health Condition</b> (For example, Bipolar Disorder, Schizophrenia, Clinical Depression, Severe Anxiety, Severe Phobias, OCD, Severe Eating Disorders and Psychosis).	A report from a Consultant Psychiatrist or Specialist Registrar	Less than five years
<b>Neurological Condition</b>	<p>Neurological Conditions: Neurologist OR another relevant Consultant</p> <p>Speech &amp; Language Disabilities: Speech and Language Therapist</p>	No age limit

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<b>Significant Ongoing Illness</b>	<p>A report, diagnosing a significant ongoing illness such as:</p> <p>Diabetes Type 1: Endocrinologist or paediatrician</p> <p>Cystic Fibrosis: Consultant respiratory physician or paediatrician</p> <p>Gastroenterology condition: Gastroenterologist</p> <p>Other: Consultant/Consultant Registrar</p>	Less than five years
<b>Physical/mobility</b>	A report from an Orthopaedic Consultant or other relevant specialist diagnosing a significant physical or mobility difficulty	No age limit
<b>Specific Learning Difficulties (Dyslexia or Dyscalculia)</b>	<p>The report of a psycho-educational assessment by a Psychologist OR by an assessor (PATOSS accredited) diagnosing a Specific Learning Difficulty</p> <p>Applicants to the Fund may be asked for their latest assessment scores/educational reports to assist institutions in determining the appropriate level of support</p> <p>All tests used in the assessment must be valid, reliable and age appropriate.</p> <p>The CAO/DARE Evidence of Disability Form is <b>not</b> acceptable evidence of disability for this category of disability</p>	No age limit