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Educators

The Cognassist robust assessment framework.

2024/25 Apprenticeship rules

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          │  Initial Assessment Process │
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                        ● Score of < 84 Index(s)
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          ┌─────────────────────────────┐       EPA Reasonable
          │  Learner Needs Assessment   │──────► Adjustment Process
          └─────────────────────────────┘
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       ● If £150 per month      ● If score of < 79
         ALS claimed             relevant Index(s)
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  │ 3 Monthly Review │    │ Exemptions Assessment│
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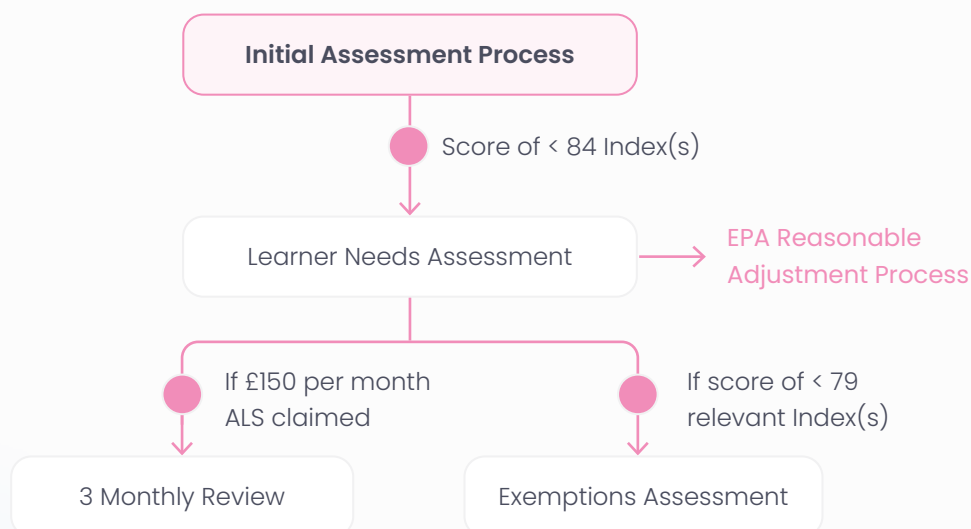
Cognassist as supporting evidence

	⚠ Required	⚙ Decisions	🏆 Output
Learner Needs Assessment	• Cognassist cognitive assessment (84 or less) • Evidence from initial assessment such as Functional Skills	• Reasonable adjustment within learning • Reasonanble adjsutment within Exams • LSF funding claims Y/N	• Completion of needs assessment and learning plan • Application for RA during EPA • Evidence pack as per funding rules
Exemption Assessment*	• Cognassist cognitive assessment (79 or less within index) • Appropriate professional	• Approval of exemption assessment evidence Y/N	• Exemptions applied • Evidence pack & planning for skill development
3 Month Review	• Cognitve assessment results/report • Evidence of LDD identification / needs assessment • Evidence of intervention for each month claimed • Completed every 3 months	• Monthly planning of ALS needs - only claim where support given • Cognitive support Y/N	• 3 monthly review • Reasonable adjustments provided

*English is most relevant to our 'Language & Numbers' index

*Maths is most relevant to our 'Visual and Fluid' index

What is Robust?

Included in key guidance, published in conjunction with JCQ

The assessment must be recognised by level 7 assessors and consultants in the sector.

✓ The Cognassist Cognitive Assessment is independently verified and included in key guidance published in conjunction with JCQ and Patoss, accepted by Ofqual regulated Awarding organisations and End Point Assessment Organisations.

Evidence-based psychometric assessment

Only clinically robust evidence based psychometric assessments can be used to evidence eligibilities at exams or assessments. This evidence should be published in a technical manual.

✓ The Cognassist Cognitive Assessment is a psychometric assessment and we have published a technical manual reviewed and accepted by independent authorities.

Performance-based assessment not self-reported assessment

These involve testing of cognitive function through performance of specifically designed tasks and remove potential conscious or unconscious biases of the user.

✓ The Cognassist Cognitive Assessment is performance based.

Performance Validity Tests

If the assessment tasks are not delivered by an assessor, the assessment should include performance validity tests.

✓ The Cognassist Cognitive Assessment includes 9 performance validity tests.

Assessment delivered through suitable technology

The assessment must be delivered suitably, this includes browser based, tablet-based or paper-based delivery. This does not include mobile based assessments.

✓ Cognassist assessment meets standards published by the International Test Commission - Guidelines for Technology-Based Assessment 2022

Access Patoss book

Patoss: Assessing the Need for Access Arrangements in Examinations: Seventh Edition

Access Communicate-ed document

Tests Measuring Different Areas of Speed of Working for Extra Time

Robust assement

✓ Performance based

✓ Published test manual

✓ Evidence of bias-free

✓ Protection of individual rights

Paper + Digital

✓ Performance Validity Monitoring

✓ Medical Grade Software meeting ISO 13485 Medical Device standards

✓ Browser Compliant Technological Delivery

Digital

⚠ If you are not using a robust assessment, **exemptions and funding are at risk**.