

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU GET AN

## ADULT PSYCH ASSESSMENT WITH DR. STEPHANIE

#### Clinical interviews.



#### 4-5 HRS

Dr. Stephanie meets "face-to-face" via telehealth video with you and any family/friends/partners as appropriate. Some of our conversation may feel informal, and some will be semi-structured asking about specific symptoms and experiences.

#### Standardized questionnaires.



#### SELF-PACED

You and other important people in your life are sent standardized questionnaires via email to complete based on your assessment questions. This adds some quantitative (numbers) data to the information given in interviews. It also helps compare what you're experiencing to others your age and gender.



#### In person testing.

#### (IF NEEDED)

This is usually only needed if you have concerns about learning, cognitive functioning (IQ), or academic skills.

#### Visual summary + feedback session + report.





Dr. Stephanie meets with you to clearly explain the takeaways. The results of the assessment are summarized into a visual slide show presentation covering your strengths and needs, diagnoses, explaining important concepts, and recommendations that you can implement right away. If you choose, a full narrative report with comprehensive details about each assessment result and areas of need is sent to you 4-6 weeks after feedback.

#### **BEFORE WE MEET**

- Schedule your first appointment.
- Complete intake forms.

**WEEK** 

- Complete initial assessment surveys.
- Pay \$360 deposit to secure your appointment.

WEEK 0

1ST INTERVIEW (2 HRS)

 Meet with Dr. Stephanie to discuss your background, family, and general concerns.

- Begin in-person testing if needed.
- Complete remaining surveys before next meeting.

ASSESSMENT TIMELINE

Most assessments follow this timeline. I space out our time together over several weeks so I can get to know you better, you can grow more comfortable with me, and we can process all the information together as we go.

WEEK

2ND INTERVIEW (2 HRS)

- Meet Dr. Stephanie to answer more specific questions about your experiences.
- Continue in-person testing if needed.

WEEK 3

**3RD INTERVIEW (1 HR)** 

- Meet with Dr. Stephanie to wrap up any final questions.
- Dr. Stephanie meets with other people you'd like her to talk to.
- Complete any in-person testing if needed.

WEEK

#### **ASSESSMENT FEEDBACK SESSION (1 HR)**

- Meet with Dr. Stephanie to discuss the assessments results, diagnoses, and recommendations. Assessment takeaways are presented in a visual summary slide show.
- Dr. Stephanie sends you a PDF of the slides after the meeting.
- If requested, written report is sent 4-6 weeks after feedback.



### ASSESSMENT FEE & INSURANCE GUIDE

#### FEES

Fees are paid directly by cash or credit card via the <u>SimplePractice</u> client portal. Credit cards are securely stored and processed by <u>Stripe</u>.

- Assessment with full report: \$4,320\*
- Assessment with no report: \$2,880\*

\*Includes up to 6 hours of interviews, testing with client, and the assessment feedback session. Any additional time needed with the client is billed at \$360/hour. In person testing requires \$25 travel fee per visit.

#### INSURANCE

**Dr. Stephanie is considered an "out-of-network provider."** If you have a PPO plan, you might be able to get reimbursed for the cost of services at a percentage. If you'd like to use your insurance, we recommend asking them the following:

- What is my out-of-network deductible for outpatient mental health visits and assessments/evaluations?
- How much of my deductible has been met this year?
- What is my out-of-network coinsurance for outpatient mental health visits and assessments/evaluations (i.e., what % is reimbursed)?
  - o CPT codes: 90791, 90834, 96130, 96131, 96136, 96137
- What **diagnoses**, if any, are *not* covered for these services?
- Do I need a referral from an in-network provider or a primary care physician to see someone out-of-network?
- How do I **submit claims** for out-of-network reimbursement?
- Is there a **session limit** for outpatient mental health visits?

# ADULT ASSESSMENT FAQ



From start to feedback session, most assessments can be completed in 6 hours over the course of 2–3 weeks. If you opted to have a report written, it is sent to you 4–6 weeks after the feedback session.

#### What if I don't like the results?

I can't guarantee a specific diagnosis or outcome. But if I do my job right, you will have a better understanding of yourself and how to move forward. Everything I share should sound like I heard and captured your experience.

# What if there's conflicting information? Or my family contradicts what I say?

Clients are often worried I will let a piece of information (or lack thereof) totally sway results one way or another. Humans are complex, and this stuff is complicated. Be assured we are partners on this journey, and I contextualize everything. This means taking into account "masking," culture, family, bias, and looking at all the pieces as a whole.

# More questions?

Schedule a video meet-and-greet with Dr. Stephanie at drstephanie@empoweredtogetherla.com or 310.800.1447.