VERIFICATION FORM
FOR
ATTENTION DEFICIT/HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER (ADHD)

Disability Services at Otterbein University provides academic services and accommodations for students with diagnosed disabilities. The documentation provided regarding the disability diagnosis must demonstrate a disability covered under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990. The ADA defines a disability as a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities. In addition, in order for a student to receive academic accommodations, the documentation needs to demonstrate functional limitations that will impact an individual in an academic setting.

Disability Services requires current, comprehensive documentation of ADHD in order to determine appropriate services and accommodations based on functional limitations that may impact the student in the academic setting. The outline listed below has been developed to assist the student in working with the treating/diagnosing professional(s) in obtaining specific and necessary information to evaluate requests for academic assistance based on the ADHD diagnosis.

All parts of this form must be completed as thoroughly as possible. Inadequate information and/or incomplete forms will delay the eligibility review process. All answers to questions on the form must be legible. It is recommended that answers on the form be typed; illegible handwriting can delay the eligibility review process since the provider will be contacted for clarification.

The professional(s) conducting the assessment and making the diagnosis must be qualified to do so. These persons are generally trained, certified, and/or licensed psychologist and/or members of a medical specialty (e.g. psychiatrist, neuropsychologist).

The provider should attach any reports which provide additional related information (e.g. psychoeducational testing, neuropsychological test results, etc.). *If a comprehensive diagnostic report is available that provides the requested information, copies of that report can be submitted for documentation in lieu of this form. Please do not provide case notes or ratings scales without a narrative that discusses the results.*
Student Information

Name: ____________________________

Student ID: ____________________________

Status: □ Current Student
□ Prospective Student
□ Transfer

Date of Birth: ____________________________

Local Address
City, State, Zip ____________________________

Local Phone Number: ____________________________

Cell Phone Number: ____________________________

Home Address
City, State, Zip ____________________________

Email Address: ____________________________

Provider Information

Please provide responses to the following items by typing or writing in a legible fashion. Illegible forms will delay the documentation review process for the student.

1. DSM-IV diagnosis:
   □ 314.00
   □ Predominantly Inattentive
   □ Predominantly Hyperactive-Impulsive
   □ 314.01
   □ 314.9

2. In addition to DSM-IV criteria, how did you arrive at your diagnosis?
   □ Structured or unstructured clinical interview with the student
   □ Interviews with other persons
   □ Behavioral observations
   □ Developmental history
   □ Medical history
   □ Neuropsychological testing (dates of testing)______________________________
   □ Rating scales
   □ Other (please specify):______________________________
3. Please state date of diagnosis:

4. What is the severity of the condition? Please check one:
   - [ ] Mild
   - [ ] Moderate
   - [x] Severe

Explain severity:

5. State the following:
   - Date of first contact with student:
   - Date of last contact with student:

6. Student’s History:
   a. ADHD History: Evidence of inattention and/or hyperactivity during childhood and presence of symptoms prior to age seven. Provide information supporting the diagnosis obtained from the student/parents/teachers. Indicate the ADHD symptoms that were present during early school years. (e.g. daydreamer, spoke out of turn, unable to sit still, difficulty following directions, etc.)

   b. Psychosocial History: Provide relevant information obtained from the student/parents/guardians regarding the student’s psychosocial history (e.g. often engaged in verbal or physical confrontation, history of not sustaining relationships, history of employment difficulties, history of educational difficulties, history of risk taking or dangerous activities, history of impulsive behaviors, social inappropriateness, history of psychological treatment, etc.)
c. Pharmacological History: Provide relevant pharmacological history including an explanation of the extent to which the medication has mitigated the symptoms of the disorder in the past. Also include any current medication(s) that the student’s currently prescribed including dosage, frequency of use, the adverse side effects and the effectiveness of the medication.


d. Educational History: Provide a history of the use of any educational accommodations and services related to this disability.


7. Student’s Current Specific Symptoms
Please check all ADHD symptoms listed in the DSM-IV that the student currently exhibits:

Inattention:

☐ Often fails to give close attention to details or makes careless mistakes in schoolwork, work or other activities.

☐ Often has difficulty sustaining attention in tasks or play activities.

☐ Often does not seem to listen when spoken to directly.

☐ Often does not follow through on instructions and details to finish schoolwork, chores, or duties in the workplace (not due to oppositional behavior or failure to understand directions).

☐ Often has difficulty organizing tasks and activities.

☐ Often avoids, dislikes, or is reluctant to engage in tasks such as schoolwork or homework that requires sustained mental effort.

☐ Often loses things necessary for tasks or activities (e.g. school assignments, pencils, books, tools, etc).

☐ Often easily distracted by extraneous stimuli.

☐ Often forgetful in daily activities.
Hyperactivity:

☐ Often fidgets with hands or feet or squirms in seat.
☐ Often leaves (or greatly feels the need to leave) seat in classroom or in other situations in which remaining seated is expected.
☐ Often runs about or climbs excessively in situations in which it is inappropriate (in adolescents or adults, may be limited to subjective feelings of restlessness).
☐ Often has difficulty playing or engaging in leisure activities that are more sedate.
☐ Often “on the go” or acts as if “driven by a motor”.
☐ Often talks excessively.

Impulsivity

☐ Often blurts out answers before questions have been completed.
☐ Often has difficulty awaiting turn.
☐ Often interrupts or intrudes on others (e.g. butts into conversations or games).

8. State the student’s functional limitations based on the ADHD diagnosis, specifically in a classroom setting.

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9. State specific recommendations regarding academic accommodations for this student, and a rationale as to why these accommodations/services are warranted based upon the student’s functional limitations. Indicate why the accommodations are necessary (e.g. if note taker is suggested, state the reasons for this request related to the student’s diagnosis).

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10. If current treatments (e.g. medications, counseling) are successful, state the reasons why the above academic adjustments/accommodations/services are necessary. Please be specific.


Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Provider Name (printed): ___________________________

Title: ___________________________

License Number (if applicable) ___________________________

Address: ___________________________

City, State, Zip ___________________________

Phone Number: ___________________________

Fax Number: ___________________________

Email Address: ___________________________

Return this information to:

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