



## NHS Right to Choose – GP Referral Form

*Children & Young People's Autism Assessment Service (8–18<sup>th</sup> birthday)*

### About this referral

EPIC is a CQC-registered NHS provider holding an NHS Standard Contract with Devon ICB. Under the NHS Choice Framework, patients have the legal right to choose their provider of consultant-led outpatient services at the point of referral.

Please complete this form in full and return securely to:  
[rtcreferrals@epicsolutions.org.uk](mailto:rtcreferrals@epicsolutions.org.uk)

### 1. PATIENT DETAILS

Full name	
Preferred name	
Date of birth	
Age at referral	
NHS number	
Sex assigned at birth	
Gender identity (if different)	
Address (including postcode)	
Home telephone	
Parent/carer mobile	
Email address	
Ethnicity	
First language	

<b>Interpreter required? (Y/N + language)</b>	
<b>Accessible communication needs</b>	

## 2. PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY & CONSENT TO REFER

<b>Name of parent/carer with PR</b>	
<b>Relationship to child</b>	
<b>Does this person hold parental responsibility? (Y/N)</b>	
<b>Second person with PR (if applicable)</b>	
<b>Contact details for second PR holder</b>	

### Consent confirmed by referrer:

- Parent / carer with PR (or Gillick-competent young person) consents to this referral
- Consent to share clinical information with EPIC for the purpose of assessment
- Consent for EPIC to share assessment outcomes with the referring GP, school, and other relevant agencies
- Consent for EPIC to contact the family directly to arrange assessment

## 3. REFERRING GP & PRACTICE

<b>Referring GP name</b>	
<b>GMC number</b>	
<b>GP practice name</b>	
<b>Practice address</b>	
<b>Practice ODS code</b>	
<b>Practice telephone</b>	
<b>Date of referral</b>	

#### 4. RIGHT TO CHOOSE – REFERRER CONFIRMATION

Please confirm each of the following:

- The patient / family has been informed of their right under the NHS Choice Framework to choose any clinically appropriate NHS provider
- The patient / family has chosen EPIC Solutions Ltd as their provider
- I confirm this referral is clinically appropriate and meets EPIC's published acceptance criteria
- I confirm the patient is registered with an NHS GP in England
- I will continue to provide shared care for any medication initiated by EPIC, in line with local shared care protocols (or, where I am unable to, will discuss with EPIC at the earliest opportunity)
- I understand assessment outcomes and recommendations will be shared back to the GP record

#### 5. ASSESSMENT REQUESTED

This referral is for:

- Autism assessment

Additional information about the assessment request:

#### 6. CURRENT & PREVIOUS WAITING LISTS

Currently on an NHS waiting list for the same assessment? (Y/N)	
If yes, name of provider	
Date added to that waiting list	

*Note: Patients cannot be on two NHS waiting lists for the same assessment simultaneously. If proceeding with EPIC, the referrer / family should request removal from the alternative list.*

#### 7. PRESENTING CONCERNS

Reason for referral – presenting concerns and impact on daily functioning:

**Duration of concerns / approximate age of onset:**

**Settings in which concerns are observed (home, school, social, etc.):**

## 8. RELEVANT CLINICAL HISTORY

**Please either complete below boxes or upload most recent GP history**

**Developmental history (pregnancy, birth, early milestones):**

**Significant medical history:**

**Mental health history (current and previous):**

**Family history (including neurodevelopmental, mental health):**

<b>Current medications:</b>
<b>Allergies:</b>
<b>Existing diagnoses:</b>

## 9. SAFEGUARDING & RISK

**Safeguarding status – tick all that apply:**

- No known safeguarding concerns
- Child in Need (CIN)
- Child Protection Plan (CP)
- Looked After Child (LAC) / Care Experienced
- EHCP in place
- Social Care involvement (current or recent)

<b>Named social worker (if known)</b>	
<b>Social worker contact details (if known)</b>	

**Risk information – tick all that apply:**

- Self-harm (current or historical)
- Suicidal ideation / attempts
- Aggression / violence towards others
- Absconding / running away
- Eating difficulties
- Substance misuse
- Other risk – please detail below



**Risk details, including any current safety/risk management plan:**

## 11. OTHER PROFESSIONALS INVOLVED

**Please list any other professionals currently or previously involved (CAMHS, paediatrics, SALT, OT, EP, etc.), with dates and outcomes where known:**

## 13. REFERRER SIGN-OFF

<b>Name of referring GP</b>	
<b>Signature / electronic authorisation</b>	
<b>Date</b>	

### **How to return this form**

- Via email to [rtcreferrals@epicsolutions.org.uk](mailto:rtcreferrals@epicsolutions.org.uk)

We will acknowledge receipt within 3 working days and confirm acceptance onto the waiting list within 10 working days.

*Questions? Contact our referrals team on 01392 829989*