

Independent Professional Evidence of Disability Report (Form B)

Part 4: FIRST TIME ENROLLMENTS ONLY § 166b (a)(4)

1. **If your child was previously enrolled in a Vermont public school** and this is your first home study enrollment send a copy of the public school report card instead of sending this form.

2. If your child has never been enrolled in a Vermont public school, an independent professional must fill out this form for you.

This is not a comprehensive evaluation to establish eligibilities for special education but is a screening looking for evidence of a disabilities and must be completed by an independent professional (such as a Vermont licensed teacher or VT licensed special educator or related service provider or a health care professional or mental health provider). The method of screening is up to the independent professional.

The professional does not have to use this form as long as the same information is in their report remembering that this is simply a screening for disabilities. If the child has an IEP, you should not give them that report but rather have this form filled out and then only submit the needed adaptations per § 166b (a)(5).

Please provide the following information:

Students name: _____ Age: _____ Age: _____

Date of Screening: _____

Do you suspect that the student may have a disability based in the results of the screening? \Box Yes \Box No

Method of evaluation:

Do you recommend further evaluation to determine whether or not this student has a disability that would interfere with his/her ability to learn? \Box Yes \Box No

If yes, what are your specific recommendations?

The above information is to be given to the parents who will include it in their home study enrollment notice to the Secretary of Education. Barring a home study hearing process, nothing in this document or the enrollment notice authorizes the independent professional to release further confidential information about this screening to anyone other than the parents. *

Signature of Professional:		
Position / Title:	Date:	

(***To the parents:** In re S.M. vs Department of Education 2003 VT 41 - the Agency feels that by signing Form A you are giving permission for the Agency to contact this professional. The above statement makes your intent plain that you not are not giving any such permission. If there is anything missing from Form B, the Agency is to notify you in writing within 14 business days § 166b (b)(1). They should not be calling this professional directly and that is why the contact info for the professional is not on this form nor is it required by law. After notifying you, if you wish you may give the Agency permission to contact the professional at that time. This Advice from VHEN is to protect your parental rights.)

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