



Academic Affairs Handbook, Section 2.22: Appendix DSP3

SPECIFIC DOCUMENTATION GUIDELINES – **SYSTEMIC DISORDERS**

Systemic disabilities are conditions affecting one or more of the body's systems, including the respiratory, immunological, neurological, circulatory, or digestive systems. Systemic disabilities are often unstable therefore, the need for and type of reasonable accommodations may change over time.

- General documentation guidelines listed in Section 2.22.02.
- Description of the history, current symptoms, and severity of the disorder.
- Description of the expected progression or stability of the disorder.
- Description of the current functional limitations impacting academic performance resulting from the disorder.

Section 2.22: Appendix DSP2

General Documentation Guidelines

Secondary education eligibility reports, Individualized Educational Plans, Summary of Progress reports, or previous provision of special education services may not be sufficient documentation for college-level accommodations.

Documentation should provide a diagnostic statement identifying the disability, describe the diagnostic criteria and methodology used to diagnose the condition, and detail the progression of the condition if its impact on the student's functioning is expected to change over time.

Documentation should provide an adequate representation of the student's current functional abilities. In most situations, documentation should be within three years of the student's application for services. Professional judgment, however, must be used in accepting older documentation of conditions that are permanent or non-varying, or in requiring more recent documentation for conditions for which the functional impact may change over time.

Documentation must include the names, signatures, titles, and license numbers of the appropriate evaluators, as well as the dates of testing and contact information. Evaluators must be licensed professionals whose training and licensure status is consistent with expertise in the disability for which they provide documentation.

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