

Assessment of Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Students

Mental health professionals often describe the challenges experienced with assessing culturally and linguistically diverse (CLD) children and adolescents. Based on research evidence, Dr. Esther Geva will debunk the myths which guide the conceptual foundation of assessment for these children. Dr. Geva will then briefly discuss the issues pertaining to the administration and interpretation of informal tasks designed to assess oral language, literacy, and cognitive skills. This will also include a discussion surrounding culture and acculturation and the communication of results of an assessment. A case study will be used to illustrate the diagnostic process.



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Hear our **esteemed speaker** address these topics and more within our live webinar.

Dr. Esther Geva - Registered Psychologist & Full Professor in the Department of Applied Psychology and Human Development at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, University of Toronto.

This session will include a lecture from the speaker and will be followed by a question and answer period. Participants will have a chance to submit questions in advance of the event, as well as in the live chat. The webinar will be held on **August 30, 2021**, and will run from **9:00am to 11:30am (Mountain Daylight Time)**.

This webinar will be **hosted using Zoom** and **recorded for those who are unable to attend the live event**. All registrants will receive a link to the recorded webinar and all presentation materials several days after the conclusion of the event.

Participants in this workshop will:

- Gain a conceptual understanding of the research on language and literacy development in at-risk second language (L2) learners, and of cultural factors affecting communication with culturally and linguistically diverse (CLD) children, adolescents, and families.
- Learn about specific methods for assessing CLD children and adolescents.
- Acquire knowledge and skills involved in formulating diagnoses in relation to CLD children and adolescents with language, learning and social emotional difficulties.
- Obtain knowledge and skills required to communicate effectively with the families of CLD children and adolescents with language, learning and social emotional difficulties.



In the event that participants **cannot attend the live event**, the **webinar will be recorded and distributed to those who have registered**. Those who view the recorded webinar will **still be eligible** to obtain continuing education credits.

This event is hosted in partnership between **Build Great Teams** and the **Learning Disabilities Association of Alberta**. More information at <https://buildgreatteams.ca/event/assessment-of-culturally-and-linguistically-diverse-students/>

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