

Pearson Looking for Assistance with Development of Premiere Intelligence Assessment for Young Children

Greetings:

This is your invitation to participate in the development of the next edition of the *Wechsler Preschool and Primary Scale of Intelligence* (WPPSI) – whether you're currently active in the in the Early Childhood field, or retired. Please also pass this along to preschools that may wish to help find qualifying candidates for testing.

Pearson, the largest developer of assessments, is taking applications from psychologists, speech language pathologists, and educational diagnosticians to help with the testing of the fourth edition of WPPSI, known as WPPSI-IV.

The “standardization” phase of testing will be conducted from July 2011 to February 2012. It will involve administrations of the research edition to children ages 2 years 6 months to 7 years 6 months.

Field examiners are responsible for identifying qualified individuals for the assessments, and then administering the research edition of the product as directed by a Pearson field research coordinator. Pearson provides compensation to both the examinee and the examiner. Examiner payment is contingent upon the administration being complete.

Testing times for the WPPSI-IV tryout edition are one to two hours, depending on the age of the examinee. Examiner payment ranges from \$50 to \$85, depending on the age of the examinee and whether the examinee is typically developing or has a clinical diagnosis. Examinee payment ranges from \$30 to \$50 depending upon age band. We will be collecting validity studies, so professionals familiar with the following assessments should apply for the project: WPPSI-III, NEPSY-II, Bayley-3, WIAT-III.

In addition to typically developing examinees of all race/ethnic categories, we will be testing children who have been diagnosed with Intellectual Disorder (Mild and Moderate), Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (Inattentive Type), Intellectual Giftedness, Developmental Delay-Cognitive, Autistic Disorder, Asperger's Disorder, Expressive Language Disorder, Mixed Receptive-Expressive Language Disorder, Emergent Preliteracy Concerns and Emotional Disturbance.

More Details and Applying for the Project

To view more specifics on the study, please use the following link, which will allow you access to the project application form.

WPPSI-IV Standardization Project Overview

<https://www.surveymk.com/s/WPPSIoverviewfornewexaminers>

Declining the Project

We'd like to hear from you, even if you are not interested in this project at this time. Please use the link below to let us know that you are declining the project.

Decline WPPSI-IV Standardization

<https://www.surveymk.com/s/notinterestedinwppsi>

Nominating Candidates

Examiner selection is based on a number of factors, including access to potential examinees. **If you are new to testing for Pearson, or have not tested in the last year, you will receive instructions on accessing the online candidate nomination system after you apply for this project.**

Recruiting Assistance

Pearson will be providing WPPSI examiners two resources to expand your access to examinees, since there will be an increased emphasis on including children of color and children from lower educated families within a relative short collection timeline. These include a referral program for examinees and a site testing payment for facilities or nonprofit organizations that provide access to examinees or a testing location.

Site Testing Background

Examiners who are working at a preschool, daycare center, Head Start or any other organization that is willing to help collect parent consent forms and provide a testing location can set up a testing site. The testing site receives \$10 for each child successfully tested through its recruiting efforts. For your convenience, I am attaching a link to our site testing background material. You may find this to be very helpful. **Also, you may know of organizations that might like to become a testing site where Pearson could potentially find an examiner to assign to that site.** Feel free to share this with others.

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https://www.surveymk.com/s/site_background_jlk

Please feel free to share this with colleagues around the country, as our projects are national in scope. If you have any questions, let me know.

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