

## Standard 7 Assessment of Need by QTVI

	Level 5	Level 4	Level 3	Level 2	Level 1	Level 0
<b>Qualification</b>	Assessments are carried out by a QTVI with experience of assessing children of all ages and abilities	Assessments are carried out by a QTVI	Assessments are carried out by a Teacher from the Sensory Service who is undertaking VI training and is supervised by a QTVI	Assessments are carried out by a Teacher from the Sensory Service who is not undertaking VI training but has experience of assessing VI children	Assessments of VI children are carried out by generic learning support teachers (not qualified or experienced in VI)	There is no specific Education service for children with VI
<b>Timescale for assessment</b>	An assessment visit is made by a Q.T.V.I. within 4 weeks of referral (8 weeks if referral period spans school summer holiday)	-----	There is a stipulated timescale for an assessment to be made by a QTVI which is longer than 4 weeks from date of referral ( 8 weeks if referral period spans school summer holiday)	An assessment is made but no timescales are adhered to.	-----	There is no specific Education service for children with VI

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<b>Criteria for assessment</b>	Assessments are completed for all children age 0-18 years who meet the VINCYP criteria	-----	Assessments are available (but not necessarily completed) for children age 0-18 years who meet the VINCYP criteria.	Assessments are available to specific groups of children only e.g. severe VI, school age, mainstream	Assessments are not available to all those meeting the VINCYP criteria	There is no specific Education service for children with VI
<b>Parents /carers</b>	Following referral, the QTVI always offers to meet the parent/carer. Assessment includes consultation with the parent/carer.	Assessment includes any information given by the parent / carer where this is available	Following referral, the assessor contacts the parent/carer	-----	The assessor does not routinely arrange to meet/contact the parent/carer following referral	There is no specific Education service for children with VI

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<b>Functional vision assessment (FVA)</b>	The QTVI participates in a joint FVA clinic with minimum Health staffing of at least VI Paediatrician, Orthoptist	A functional vision assessment is carried out by the QTVI at School/Nursery/Home with information from / consultation with Health professionals & education	-----	A functional vision assessment is carried out by the assessor at School/Nursery/Home with information from / consultation with education but not health professionals	A functional vision assessment is carried out by the assessor at School/Nursery/Home without information from/ consultation with Health professionals or education	There is no specific Education service for children with VI
<b>Report &amp; recommendations</b>	Following referral the QTVI always provides a written assessment report with recommendations for school and parent / carer and there is followup by the QTVI	Following referral the QTVI always provides a written assessment report with recommendations for school and parent / carer	Following referral the QTVI always provides written recommendations to school and parent	Following referral the assessor gives verbal recommendations to school and parent	No recommendations or report are provided.	There is no specific Education service for children with VI

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<b>CAS Feedback Loop</b>	The Sensory Service notifies the referrer of the date of assessment				The Sensory Service does not notify the referrer of the date of assessment.	There is no specific Education service for children with VI