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The Adult Basic Education Association (ABEA) is a not-for-profit organization that acts as the learning network in Hamilton. We are the central referring agency for adult education and upgrading.

### Goal/Benefits of Educational Assessments

The goal of ABEA's assessments is to ensure clients are accessing the appropriate programs to help them succeed in attaining their goals. ABEA is an impartial assessment and referral agency - we do not house any programs and are independent in the community.

Assessments save time, money, frustration, and gives the client a detailed action plan to reach their goals.

### Educational Planning Assessment Tool (EPAT)

This assessment

- identifies Essential Skills levels
- includes an employment profile specific to the client's goal
- results in a summary of upgrading needs for training
- includes a detailed Educational Action Plan to reach education, training, and employment goals

### Learning Challenges Assessment (LCAT)

This assessment has the same components as the EPAT but also

- identifies strength and challenge areas related to language processing
- includes learning strategies for the classroom

### GED (General Educational Development) Pre-Test

This assessment identifies areas of skill gaps (if any) for all 5 GED subject areas and includes recommendations to help you/the client pass the GED successfully.

# Referring to ABEA

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<p><b>Free Information and Referral</b> *Partially funded by the City of Hamilton</p>	<p><b>Fee for Service Assessment</b> *Fees only apply with approval *Educational Planning assessments direct clients to appropriate programs with timelines</p>
<p>Refer clients who</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• want to explore options or have educational questions</li> <li>• need training information (i.e., short term courses, licenses)</li> <li>• are interested in general interest programs</li> </ul>	<p>Refer clients who</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• have been out of school for a long time</li> <li>• are unsure of their skills</li> <li>• report learning challenges</li> <li>• have difficulties with daily literacy tasks</li> <li>• may need upgrading</li> <li>• are looking to retrain</li> <li>• need a Grade 12/ equivalent</li> <li>• need prerequisites for post-secondary programs</li> </ul>
<p><b>Process</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Submit an online referral form (Refer a Client on homepage at <a href="http://www.abea.on.ca">www.abea.on.ca</a>).</li> <li>2. ABEA will call the client within 24 hours to give information and to make a referral.</li> <li>3. ABEA will create an Information and Referral report and send it to you when completed (this allows you to track the results of the consultation for your files).</li> </ol> <p>Information is also available on <a href="http://WIN Hamilton.ca">WIN Hamilton.ca</a>.</p>	<p><b>Process</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Submit an online referral form (Refer a Client on homepage at <a href="http://www.abea.on.ca">www.abea.on.ca</a>). Any questions please call us for assistance.</li> <li>2. We will call the client within 24 hours to go through a background interview and book an appointment.</li> <li>3. We will confirm the appointment date/time with you.</li> <li>4. We will give the client a reminder call the day before the appointment.</li> <li>5. We will confirm the client's attendance with you after the appointment time.</li> <li>6. We will forward the report to you when it is completed.</li> </ol>