

What to Consider When Choosing a Professional

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Whether choosing a therapist, educational consultant and/or attorney, look for a delicate balance between experience, affiliations and chemistry. Here are some things you should consider.

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What to Ask

1. How long has this person been practicing in this field?
2. What experience does this person have both professionally and personally?
 - Do they suffer from a disability?
 - Are they also a parent of a child with a disability?
3. Does this professional belong to mental health or advocacy organizations that offer additional support and affiliations?
4. Can this person relate to me, my child and the situation?
5. Is this professional's style too aggressive or not aggressive enough? Based upon:
 - My personality
 - My child's personality
 - My school district and other attorneys
6. Will this professional testify in court or at an impartial hearing? This is a very big concern because your case will ultimately come down to a battle of the experts. If you can't bring yours in to testify, you are starting out with two strikes against you.

Go to Idyellowpages.org or contact your local or national support group to seek professionals in your area. Many will keep resource directories and have personal experience with these professionals.

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