

Educational Services Analysis



Making the difference that matters most.

Discover A Better Way Forward

Publicly-funded schools are under increasing pressure to improve special education service delivery while also having to maximize finite resources. Objectively analyzing the critical parameters (e.g., efficiency) of your special education program can be a difficult task without the necessary expertise.

How can you be sure services are being delivered in the most efficient way possible? How do you manage costs, outcomes, and optimal delivery of special education services in a rapidly changing and compliance-driven environment? How do you know when a student no longer requires special education services? Do you have the right staff doing the right things?

Futures Education, a national leader in special education and addressing the needs of struggling learners, works with you as your partner to: answer these questions, address goals and challenges together, and ensure that students with special physical, cognitive or academic needs receive the supports they require.

Discover Our Services

Having conducted more than 300 analyses nationwide, Futures Education harnesses its collective expertise to define proven strategies for balancing programs, finances, and the specific needs of individuals.

At the core of our consulting services is Futures' proprietary methodology for educational assessments, including recommendations and strategies for evidence-based solutions. Our assessments include a comprehensive analysis with relevant metrics, as well as practical recommendations for program, staffing, management, and professional development that help administrators make informed programmatic and fiscal decisions.

All members of our leadership team are practicing clinicians or educators with a comprehensive understanding of the programmatic, administrative, and fiscal issues of program development and service delivery for special, cognitive or academic delivery and support needs.

Discover A Better Approach

Futures' proprietary education services analysis employs methodologies to assess an array of school programs, including review and analysis of:

1. Workload Analyses

We review workloads to ensure that students have been evaluated appropriately, that service plans align with evaluations (and supported in the Individualized Education Program process), and that specific entry and exit criteria have been established. This includes all related services, such as speech and language pathology, occupational and physical therapy, psychology, and behavioral health (e.g., ABA) programs and more.

2. Accountability Systems

We promote systems to ensure that both the quantity and quality of support services are being captured in a meaningful and consistent manner. Further analyses evaluate the nature and quality of goals, objectives, and outcome data.

3. Staffing Patterns

We review staffing practices in comparison to the ongoing need for intervention, overall student progress, provider efficiencies, the relationship between direct and indirect therapy time, and the appropriate level and intensity of treatment. On a systemic level, our work ensures the equity of workloads, uniformity of practice patterns, and adherence to evidence-based practice.

4. Fiscal Parameters

Our reviews typically analyze IDEA grants, Medicaid, transportation, and other financial components of the special education delivery system. In this manner we can support our partners in optimizing their finite resources and maximize appropriate potential revenues.

Depending on the specific needs of your school(s), the analysis report may include:

- Detailed information regarding educational and related services operations including outcomes, efficiencies, and the current allocation of personnel resources.
- Recommendations to modify or enhance program models, and suggestions for strategies to provide high quality services in the most cost-effective manner.
- A program template for administrators and their ability to more effectively manage all aspects of the special education delivery system within their schools.
- Strategies to redesign internal review procedures essential to the success of educational programs to support struggling learners.

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Discover Futures

Founded in 1998 by renowned clinicians and educators, Futures Education provides special education expertise unparalleled in depth and breadth. All members of our leadership team are educators, administrators and clinicians with a comprehensive understanding of the programmatic, administrative and fiscal issues related to special education.

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