

Georgia Consideration for Educationally Relevant Therapy Tool: Things to Think About for the Therapy Profile

How do I fill out the Therapy Profile section of the CERT? Here are some questions to ask yourself.

Potential Response to Therapy

- Is student making active progress in mastering IEP objectives?
- Does student demonstrate the potential for making continued gains?
- Has student's level of functioning remained unchanged despite years of therapy and provision of multiple intervention strategies by therapists?
- Is improvement limited by developmental age or physical limitations?

Student's Learning Environment

- Is student accessing his curriculum through his special education supports
 - Special education teacher or para professional?
- Is student able to access the curriculum and make progress with current modifications or devices?
 - The student may have illegible handwriting, but uses technology without assistance. A student may not have adequate sitting balance for feeding, but does well with the use of the correct positioning device?
- Is student in a transitional period?
 - Is student changing from one school/program, new equipment or a change in physical status where therapist directed services may be needed on a short term

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Therapy Services to be Provided to the Student

- Does the student need extensive activity planning to teach specific skill development?
- Does the student require therapist directed suggestions for classroom modifications, equipment or special devices?

Support Services to be Provided to School Staff and or Parents

- Do staff/families require in depth training to follow through with the therapist's directed recommendations? Will this be needed the whole school year or just for a short period of time?
- Does equipment change frequently?
- Do you anticipate that the student's adaptive equipment will change over the school year and that more training will be needed?
- Does the student have frequent changes in the school routine which may require therapist directed suggestions?