



## Psychosocial Assessment An Explainer

Psychosocial assessment means a comprehensive collection of information and evaluation of a person, family, group or community's psychological, emotional, physical, social and spiritual state to inform professional judgement and the planning of appropriate actions or intervention.

Social workers are taught and expected to do this holistically, meaning to consider various aspects and dimensions of a person's life and situation together. This forms a comprehensive view of the person in their environment.

Psychosocial assessment will need to be taught in higher education settings along with the core competencies. This sets expectations of graduates entering this work and people doing this work.

Experience Pathways are assessed against the social work service definition and the core competencies.

