

Orthopedic Impairment Eligibility Criteria

Definition: (a) An orthopedic impairment is a severe physically disabling condition that adversely affects educational performance. The term may include impairments caused by any of the following:

- (1) A congenital anomaly.
- (2) A disease, such as:
 - (A) Poliomyelitis; or
 - (B) Bone tuberculosis.
- (3) Other causes, such as;
 - (A) Cerebral palsy;
 - (B) Amputations. or
 - (C) Fractures or burns that cause contractures.

Eligibility Requirements: (b) Eligibility for special education as a student with an orthopedic impairment shall be determined by the student's CCC. This determination shall be based on the multidisciplinary team's educational evaluation report described in 511 IAC-7-40-5(e), which includes the following:

- (1) An assessment of the following:
 - (A) Communication skills.
 - (B) Social interaction skills.
 - (C) Motor Skills.
 - (D) Responses to sensory experiences.
 - (E) Relevant family and environmental information.
- (3) Available medical information that is educationally relevant.
- (4) Any other assessments and information, collected prior to referral or during the educational evaluation, necessary to:
 - (A) determine eligibility for special education and related services; and
 - (B) inform the student's CCC of the student's special education and related services needs.