

Dear Colleague:

It has come to our attention that the *Differential Ability Scales–Second Edition*® (DAS–II) requires minor revisions to the *Early Years* and *School-Age Record Forms*, the *Introductory and Technical Handbook*, and the *Administration and Scoring Manual*.

PsychCorp™ / **Pearson Education** remains committed to the consistent quality of our products. We have identified you as having purchased one or more of the affected products and are contacting you to resolve the following issues:

- For Item Set 35-56 on the **Matrices** subtest, the Ability Score that corresponds to a Raw Score of 22 should be 155, not 145. Please correct this error in the Raw Score to Ability Score tables that appear in your *Early Years* and *School-Age Record Forms* (p. 12 and p. 11, respectively) and the *Introductory and Technical Handbook* (p. 237). If left unchecked, the ability score of 145 would result in *T*Scores that slightly underestimate the ability of very bright children in the 10:6–17:11 age range. This error affected one child in our normative sample of 3,500 children. No norms or data tables are affected by this change.
- A set of alternative instructions for the **Pattern Construction** subtest were omitted from the *Administration and Scoring Manual* (p. 219). The directions for children starting at Sample D (ages 13:0–17:11) are:

If starting here, place four blocks in front of the child and say: **Look at these blocks. They have different sides.**

Turn the blocks to show the various faces and say: **Look at the different sides of your blocks.**

Make sure the child examines his or her blocks. Open Stimulus Book 1 to Sample D and say: **We can put them together so that the tops of them make this pattern. Watch me put them together.**

We have enclosed the updated manual and handbook pages. These pages have an adhesive backing and can easily be applied to the existing pages. You may download additional copies of the updated pages from the DAS–II website at www.DAS-II.com.

We encourage you to make these revisions as soon as possible to ensure that you have the most accurate product record forms, handbook, and manual at your disposal.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you. If you have any questions, or other issues regarding your DAS–II kit components, please contact our Customer Service department at **800-211-8378**.

Sincerely,

The DAS–II Development Team

PsychCorp / **Pearson Education, Inc.**

Attachments: Adhesive-backed copies of updated pages

