



What is the BDI-2 Normative Update? The Normative Update (NU) to the BDI-2™ was created because of significant changes in the demographic characteristics of the U.S. population, including a notable increase in the percentage of the population identifying as Hispanic/Latino and an increase in the percentage of the population with at least some higher education. The BDI-2 norms were recalculated using U.S. Census projections for 2015. No changes were made to the test structure, items, or item content; nor were any new norming data gathered for this update. The BDI-2 NU will contain the same items as the BDI-2. Examiners will automatically receive access to the BDI-2 NU norms with the purchase of the Data Manager.

How do the NU (new) Norms affect you? Each time you administer the BDI-2™, and each time you access a BDI-2™ score report from the online data manager, you will need to determine whether you need to use the old or NU (new) norms.

Guidelines for Choosing old vs. NU Norms:

- **Entry BDIs:**
 - When administering an “entry” BDI, you will use the **NU norms**.
 - The updated BDI2.Mobile testing software installed on your computer will automatically default to the NU norms (see graphic below).

A screenshot of a software window titled "Start a New Assessment". The window contains the following text: "Current Assessment Set-up", "Step 1. Selected Child", "Test Student1", "Step 2. Choose an Assessment Type and Norm Type", and "If multiple assessments are completed for the same child within a 14 day period, the norm selected must be consistent or 2 ERFs will be burned." Below this text are two radio button options: "BDI-2 Norms" (which is unselected) and "BDI-2 NU Norms" (which is selected). At the bottom of the window are two buttons: "Complete" (highlighted in orange) and "Screener" (greyed out).

- **Exit BDIs:**
 - **If the student’s ENTRY BDI test date is prior to 10/01/16, you will use the old norms (BDI-2 Norms) for the child’s Exit BDI.**
 - This will insure that we are making comparisons based on the same testing norms.
 - You will need to choose the old (BDI-2 Norms) by clicking in the circle to the left of “BDI-2 Norms”, before starting your exit BDI, in this case. (Refer to above graphic.)
 - **If the student’s ENTRY BDI test date is on 10/01/16 or beyond, then the Exit BDI should be administered using the NU norms.** (Remember, your program will automatically default to this option, so it is not necessary for you to make any changes or adjustments, in this case.)

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