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**Introduction to the DRDP (2015)**

Welcome to the Desired Results Developmental Profile (2015) [DRDP (2015)], A Developmental Continuum from Early Infancy to Kindergarten Entry. The DRDP (2015) is a formative assessment instrument developed by the California Department of Education for young children and their families used to inform instruction and program development.

**Key Features of the DRDP (2015):**

- The DRDP (2015) is administered in natural settings through teacher observations, family observations, and examples of children's work. Ongoing documentation of children's knowledge and skills in everyday environments is a recommended practice for early childhood assessment.
- The DRDP (2015) represents a full continuum of development from early infancy up to kindergarten entry. It has two views: the Infant/Toddler view for use with children in infant/toddler programs, and the Preschool View, for children in preschool programs.
- The Preschool View has two forms: The Comprehensive View containing domains related to all areas of the Preschool Learning Foundations; and the Fundamental View, associated with essential domains of school readiness.
- The DRDP (2015) is designed for use with all children from early infancy up to kindergarten entry, including children with Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSPs) and Individualized Education Programs (IEPs).
- The DRDP (2015) takes into consideration the specific cultural and linguistic characteristics of California's diverse population of young children, with specific consideration for children who are young dual language learners (see section below).
- The DRDP (2015) was developed with the goal of ensuring that all children have the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge and skills. To enable access to the assessment for diverse populations, the principles of Universal Design were followed.
- The DRDP (2015) includes domains that meet the federal Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) child outcome reporting requirements for children with Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSPs) or Individualized Education Programs (IEPs).

**Information about Selected Key Features**

Three of these key features: (1) consideration of young children who are dual language learners, (2) universal design and adaptations for children with IFSPs and IEPs, and (3) a detailed description of the developmental domains that make up the instrument, are described in more detail to help teachers and service providers better understand and rate the measures of the DRDP (2015).

**Young Dual Language Learners and the DRDP (2015)**

Dual language learners are children learning two or more languages at the same time, as well as those children learning a second language while continuing to develop their first (or home) language. A child's experience with one or more languages is an asset to build on in the early childhood setting. It is critical to consider the child's communication in all the languages that he or she is learning in order to have an accurate picture of a child's knowledge and skills. Young children, including children with disabilities, can successfully learn two or more languages. Learning two or more languages has linguistic, social, cognitive, academic, and cultural benefits. The path to learning one language shares many similarities with the path to learning two or more languages. There are also differences that must be taken into consideration when assessing young children who are dual language learners. Children may have vocabulary for concepts in one language and vocabulary for other concepts in another language. So it is important to assess children in all of the languages he or she understands and uses. The DRDP (2015) addresses cultural and linguistic responsiveness in two primary ways:

1. Teachers and service providers observe and document children's behavior in both the home language and English to obtain a more accurate profile of the children's knowledge and skills across developmental domains.
2. Teachers and service providers rate children's progress on two language development domains. The Language and Literacy Development (LLD) domain assesses all children's progress in developing foundational language and literacy skills where ratings should be based on skills in all languages. The English-Language Development (ELD) domain assesses current knowledge and skills and progress in learning to communicate in English.

**Universal Design and the DRDP (2015)**

In the context of assessment, "Universal Design" refers to the development of assessments that are appropriate for all children to the greatest extent possible. Universal Design allows children the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge and skills in a variety of ways. All young children are entitled access to, and meaningful participation in, age-appropriate, individually-appropriate and culturally-appropriate early childhood curricula and assessments. Teachers and service providers support children's access and participation by identifying and providing learning opportunities, materials, and teaching strategies in flexible and individualized ways and through a variety of learning modalities. DRDP (2015) assessors apply universal design when they carefully consider the various ways young children can demonstrate knowledge or skills that reflect mastery of a developmental level.
The Eight Domains of the DRDP (2015)

The DRDP (2015) is made up of eight domains. The focus of each domain is on the acquisition of knowledge, skills, or behaviors that reflect each domain’s developmental constructs. The domains and sub-domains of the Fundamental View, essential to school readiness, are marked with an asterisk (*).

Approaches to Learning–Self-Regulation* (ATL-REG)
The ATL-REG domain assesses two related areas that are recognized as important for young children’s school readiness and success: Approaches to Learning and Self-Regulation. These areas have been combined into one domain because of the strong connections between them. The Approaches to Learning skills include attention maintenance, engagement and persistence, and curiosity and initiative. The Self-Regulation skills include self-comforting, self-control of feelings and behavior, imitation, and shared use of space and materials.

Social and Emotional Development* (SED)
The SED domain assesses children’s developing abilities to understand and interact with others and to form positive relationships with nurturing adults and their peers. The knowledge or skill areas in this domain include identity of self in relation to others, social and emotional understanding, relationships and social interactions with familiar adults, relationships and interactions with peers, and symbolic and sociodramatic play.

Language and Literacy Development* (LLD)
The LLD domain assesses the progress of all children in developing foundational language and literacy skills. These skills can be demonstrated in any language and in any mode of communication. Language and literacy skills in a child’s first language form the foundation for learning English. Therefore, dual language learners may demonstrate knowledge and skills in their home language, in English, or in both languages. LLD measures should be completed for all infants, toddlers, and preschool-age children, including those who are dual language learners.

English-Language Development* (ELD)
The ELD domain assesses the progress of children who are dual language learners in learning to communicate in English. The developmental progression described in the four ELD measures is related to the child’s experiences with English, not the child’s age. Keep in mind that children acquire English in different ways and at different rates. Factors that affect English acquisition include degree of exposure to English, level of support provided in their home/first language, and individual differences such as age of exposure to English or the structure of the child’s home/first language. The ELD measures should be completed only for preschool-age children whose home language is other than English.

Cognition, Including Math* and Science (COG)
The COG domain focuses on observation, exploration of people and objects, and investigation of objects and concepts. The knowledge or skill areas in this domain include spatial relationships, cause and effect, classification, number sense of quantity, number sense of math operations, measurement, patterning, shapes, inquiry through observation and investigation, documentation and communication of inquiry, and knowledge of the natural world.

Physical Development–Health* (PD-HLTH)
The PD-HLTH domain assesses motor development and the development of routines related to personal care, safety, and nutrition. The knowledge or skill areas in this domain include perceptual-motor skills and movement concepts, gross locomotor movement skills, gross motor manipulative skills, fine motor manipulative skills, active physical play, nutrition, safety, and personal care routines (hygiene, feeding, dressing).

History-Social Science (HSS)
The HSS domain focuses on learning about the expectations of social situations, how to participate within a group, and the relationship between people and the environment in which they live. The knowledge or skill areas in this domain include sense of time, sense of place, ecology, conflict negotiation, and responsible conduct.

Visual and Performing Arts (VPA)
The VPA domain focuses on awareness and engagement in four areas of artistic expression. The knowledge or skill areas in this domain include visual art, music, drama, and dance.

About the Measures of the DRDP (2015)
The levels for each DRDP (2015) measure describe a developmental continuum, ranging from earlier developing to later developing competencies. The DRDP (2015) includes three types of continua:

- Full Continuum Measures: describe development from early infancy to early kindergarten. These measures should be used with all infants, toddlers, and preschool-age children.
- Earlier Development Measures: describe development that typically occurs from early infancy through early preschool ages and may be used with preschool-age children under specific conditions (identified as Conditional measures).
- Later Development Measures: describe development that typically occurs from early preschool ages to early kindergarten. These measures should be used with all preschool-age children.
Conditional Measures for Preschool-Age Children

Some measures in the DRDP Preschool View are considered conditional measures that are only assessed when certain conditions are met. These measures should be used if they assist teachers and service providers in planning a child's learning activities and supports, and documenting progress.

Conditional measures are used in three instances:
- If a preschool child has not developmentally moved beyond the four earlier-development measures.
- If a language other than English is spoken in the child’s home.
- If the child is still working on the health measures (required for all children with IEPs).

Please note that the Earlier Development Measures, and the Physical Development and Health measures are required for children with IEPs.

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*Guidance for rating ELD measures for children who are dual language learners is provided in the section, "Young Dual Language Learners and the DRDP (2015)" on page Intro-2.

The Developmental Levels

The number of levels in a measure varies depending on the competencies that are appropriate for that measure’s developmental continuum. The levels are organized under four categories from early infancy up to kindergarten entry: Responding, Exploring, Building, and Integrating:

**Responding (Earlier, Later)**

Knowledge, skills, or behaviors that develop from basic responses (through using senses and through actions) to differentiated responses. Children generally engage in back-and-forth interactions with familiar adults and communicate through nonverbal messages.

**Exploring (Earlier, Middle, Later)**

Knowledge, skills, or behaviors that include active exploration including purposeful movement, purposeful exploration and manipulation of objects, purposeful communication, and the beginnings of cooperation with adults and peers. Children generally begin this period by using nonverbal means to communicate and, over time, grow in their ability to communicate verbally or use other conventional forms of language.

**Building (Earlier, Middle, Later)**

Knowledge, skills, or behaviors that demonstrate growing understanding of how people and objects relate to one another, how to investigate ideas, and how things work. Children use language to express thoughts and feelings, to learn specific early literacy and numeracy skills, and to increasingly participate in small group interactions and cooperative activities with others.

**Integrating (Earlier)**

Knowledge, skills, or behaviors that demonstrate the ability to connect and combine strategies in order to express complex thoughts and feelings, solve multi-step problems, and participate in a wide range of activities that involve social-emotional, self-regulatory, cognitive, linguistic, and physical skills. Children begin to engage in mutually supportive relationships and interactions.

Note that the developmental levels for the ELD domain differ from the above format as they represent the developmental progression for the acquisition of English as a second language during the early childhood years.
Definitions of Terms in the Navigation Maps

**Developmental Domain:** A crucial area of learning and development for children.

**Measure:** The developmental continuum along which a child's observed behavior is assessed. Measures are the individual assessment items in the DRDP.

- **Full Continuum Measure:** Describes development from early infancy to early kindergarten.
- **Early Development Measure:** Describes development that typically occurs in infant/toddler and early preschool years.
- **Later Development Measure:** Describes development that typically occurs in the preschool years and early kindergarten.

**Definition:** Specifies the aspects of development to be observed.

**Developmental Level:** A point along a developmental progression for a particular measure that ranges from earlier to later levels of development.

**Descriptor:** Defines the behaviors that would be observed for a child at that developmental level.

**Example:** Specific behaviors you might see that would demonstrate that a child has reached mastery of a particular developmental level. Note that the examples provided in the DRDP are not only the way a child can demonstrate mastery of a developmental level.

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**Example of an Earlier Developmental Measure**

**ATL-REG 1: Attention Maintenance**

**Measure**

- **Responding**
  - Turns head to seek
  - Responds

- **Exploring**
  - Turns head and reaches for a toy
  - Kicks at a mobile
  - Rolls from stomach to lying on back
  - Takes steps sideways
  - Pulls up to a standing position
  - Crouches down and steps
  - Joins small groups
  - Joins a small group

- **Developmental Levels**
  - Earlier
  - Middle
  - Later
  - Exploring

- **Examples**
  - Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence

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**Example of a Later Developmental Measure**

**ATL-REG 2: Gross Locomotor Movement Skills**

**Measure**

- **Responsing**
  - Mark the latest developmental level the child has mastered:
  - Turns head and reaches for a toy
  - Kicks at a mobile
  - Rolls from stomach to lying on back
  - Takes steps sideways
  - Pulls up to a standing position
  - Crouches down and steps
  - Joins a small group

- **Exploring**
  - Joins a small group

- **Developmental Levels**
  - Earlier
  - Middle
  - Later
  - Building
  - Integrating

- **Examples**
  - Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence

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**Example of an Earlier Developmental Measure**

**ATL-REG 6: Engagagement and Persistence**

**Measure**

- **Responding**
  - Quiets to the voice of a familiar person

- **Exploring**
  - Continues playing with a switch toy
  - Continues looking for and selecting objects
  - Continues looking for and selecting objects

- **Developmental Levels**
  - Earlier
  - Middle
  - Later
  - Exploring

- **Examples**
  - Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence

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**Example of a Full Continuum Measure**

**Developmental Domain: PD-HLTH — Physical Development—Health**

**Measure**

- **Responsing**
  - Mark the latest developmental level the child has mastered:
  - Turns head and reaches for a toy
  - Kicks at a mobile
  - Rolls from stomach to lying on back
  - Takes steps sideways
  - Pulls up to a standing position
  - Crouches down and steps
  - Joins a small group

- **Exploring**
  - Joins a small group

- **Developmental Levels**
  - Earlier
  - Middle
  - Later
  - Building
  - Integrating

- **Examples**
  - Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence
The 3 Steps to Completing the DRDP (2015)

**Step 1: Observation and Documentation**

The DRDP (2015) focuses on the child's behavior, knowledge, and skills. To capture a child's behavior, the DRDP (2015) incorporates observation in natural settings. While observing and collecting documentation, remember that words, phrases, and sentences can be communicated and understood in a variety of ways, including spoken in the child's home language, signed, and through other communication modes (e.g., via a communication device). The teacher's and service provider's direct observations of a child are the primary method used to inform ratings and they should also use other sources of evidence to capture a more complete picture of a child's knowledge and skills. Other sources of evidence include the following:

- **Observations by others** – including teachers, family members/caregivers, and other service providers or caregivers, obtained through interview or conversations.
- **Other documentation** – including samples of children's work, photographs, and video/audio recordings of children's communication and behavior.

**Observations should occur over time, in typical settings:**
- In the child's typical program or settings such as child care, classrooms, or home.
- As the child engages in typical activities and routines.

**The Important Role of Families in the Documentation Process**

Family members have repeated opportunities to observe their child's activities and interactions over time and in a variety of situations. Their perspectives, combined with teachers' and service providers' observations, provide a more complete and reliable picture of a child's typical behaviors. Inviting family members to share observations of their child's development and behavior is a recommended practice for the DRDP (2015). The opportunity to observe a child's level of mastery is greatest when the child is interacting with a familiar adult. Because of this, it is helpful to observe a child interacting with family members. This is especially true for children who are new to a program or at the earliest levels (Responding Earlier and Responding Later). These observations can inform assessment decisions for all domains. They are particularly important for the SED and LLD domains since social interaction and communication skills are learned through repeated interactions with familiar adults.

**Observation and Documentation for Young Dual Language Learners**

Young dual language learners may demonstrate knowledge and skills in their home language, in English, or in both languages. They may also code-switch, which is using more than one language within a conversation. Therefore, communication in all languages the child uses should be considered when collecting documentation and completing the measures in all domains. The adult who is conducting observations and collecting documentation should speak the child's home language. If not, the adult must receive assistance from another adult, who does speak the child's home language. This may be an assistant teacher, director, parent, or other adult who knows the child.

**Dual Language Learners’ Use of Code Switching**

- Code switching is the use of multiple languages within a single conversation. It is a typical feature of learning two or more languages.
- As early as three years of age, children code switch to playfully experiment with the two languages and to serve their own social and communication goals. For example, children may code switch to emphasize or elaborate a point.
- Children might code switch when speaking with one person, or may use one language exclusively with one person and another language with another person.
- When children mix their two languages they use the grammatical rules of each language. For example, "I want leche" ("I want milk") is an example of inserting a Spanish noun into a grammatically correct English sentence.

**Using Adaptations**

Adaptations are changes in the environment or differences in observed behavior that allow children with IFSPs or IEPs to demonstrate their knowledge and skills in typical environments. Seven broad categories of adaptations have been identified for children with IFSPs and IEPs for the DRDP (2015).

- The adaptations listed in the table below have been developed so that the assessment will more accurately measure a child's abilities rather than the impact of a child's disability (a more detailed description of the adaptations appears in Appendix D). Adaptations must be in place for the child during the normal course of the day, and they should also be in place during observations for the DRDP (2015). Everyone working with the child should be informed of any adaptations the child uses.
- New adaptations must not be introduced solely for the purpose of conducting the DRDP (2015) assessment.
- Consideration of adaptations should be made on a regular basis from early infancy and as the child develops and grows.
What is Mastery?
A developmental level is mastered if the child demonstrates the knowledge, skills, and behaviors defined at that level:

- Consistently over time
- In different situations or settings

Important notes about mastery:
- Children may demonstrate mastery of knowledge and skills through a variety of communication modes, languages, and behaviors.
- Many of the behaviors that you observe in determining a child’s mastery level may not appear on the list of examples, although they are consistent with the descriptor.

Step 2: Rating the Measures
Determining the Child’s Latest Level of Mastery
For each of the measures, determine the latest developmental level the child has mastered, and mark it appropriately.

The Descriptors and Examples
Consider the descriptors first, and then the examples, to determine which developmental level is most consistent with your observations and other documentation of the child’s typical behavior. A child may demonstrate behaviors at more than one developmental level. Choose the level that most closely represents the knowledge, skills, or behaviors the child demonstrates most consistently.

Descriptors:
The descriptors define the knowledge, skills, or behaviors expected at each level along the developmental continuum of the measure (see Navigation Maps). Each descriptor is illustrated by several examples of behaviors that are consistent with that developmental level.

Most of the descriptors define discrete knowledge, skills, or behaviors. However, some include more than one behavior or skill, separated by “and,” “or,” or a semicolon (;) followed by “and.”

If the descriptor includes “or”:
The child only needs to demonstrate the behavior in one of the listed ways to demonstrate mastery for the developmental level. Either part of the descriptor may be observed to rate mastery at that level.

- For example, the descriptor for Exploring Later in LLD 5: Interest in Literacy is:
  Looks at books on own briefly or Chooses to join reading, singing, or rhyming activities led by an adult

If the child EITHER looks at books on own briefly OR chooses to join reading, singing, or rhyming activities led by an adult, mastery can be rated at this level.
If a descriptor includes “and”:
All parts of the descriptor are required for mastery and need to be observed together.
- For example, the descriptor for Building Earlier in ATL-REG 2: Self-Comforting is:
  Anticipates need for comfort and prepares self by asking questions, getting a special thing, or in other ways.

The child needs to demonstrate both anticipating a need for comfort and preparing self during the same observation.

If a descriptor includes a semi-colon (;) followed by “and”:
The child must demonstrate all the behaviors listed to rate the level as mastered, but not necessarily during the same observation within a DRDP rating period.
- For example, the descriptor for Exploring Later in SED 3: Relationships and Social Interactions with Familiar Adults is:
  Initiates activities with familiar adults; and Seeks out assistance or support from familiar adults.

Additional Rating Options
Emerging to the Next Developmental Level:
If your observations indicate that the child has demonstrated mastery for a developmental level and is also beginning to demonstrate knowledge, skills, or behaviors described for the next level (although not yet consistently across situations or settings), the child may be emerging to the next level.

To indicate emerging:
- First, mark the developmental level the child has mastered.
- Then, mark “emerging” if the child also demonstrates behaviors described for the next developmental level.

Notes about Emerging:
- You may mark emerging when rating full-continuum measures with infants and toddlers if the child has mastered the last level that can be rated and the child demonstrates some behaviors in the level that follows.
- Do not mark emerging if the child has mastered the latest level on a measure.
- Marking that the child is emerging to the next level does not affect the rating of mastery for the measure.

Child is Not Yet at the Earliest Developmental Level on a Later Development Measure:
If, after careful consideration, you determine that a preschool-age child is not yet demonstrating mastery of the earliest level of a later development measure, mark “Child is not yet at the earliest developmental level on this measure.”

Unable to Rate due to extended absence:
- This is used only when the child is absent from the program for such an extended period of time during the four to six weeks prior to submitting your DRDP data that you could not gather information to rate the measures.
- The following are NOT valid reasons to indicate Unable to Rate:
  - Not having enough time or enough information
  - The nature of a child’s disability or the severity of a child’s disability

The Responding Earlier level is designed to be inclusive of all children. Mark this earliest level unless the child demonstrates skills at a later level. Do not use Unable to Rate because you feel a child does not demonstrate the skills for the earliest level.
Rating Conditional Measures
If you are using the conditional measures for a preschool-age child, mark them on the Rating Record according to the following guidance:

- If a preschool child has not developmentally moved beyond the four earlier-development measures (required for all children with IEPs).
- If a language other than English is spoken in the child’s home.
- If the child is still working on the health measures (required for all children with IEPs).

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**Earlier Development Measures**

**English-Language Development Measures**

**ELD 1: Comprehension of English (Receptive English)**
- If these measures are rated, determine the child’s latest level of mastery and mark accordingly
- Check the box on the Information Page about the child’s home language
- Not required for children who are deaf or hard of hearing who are not learning a spoken language
- If these measures are not rated, leave them blank

**ELD 2: Self-Expression in English (Expressive English)**

**ELD 3: Understanding and Response to English Literacy Activities**

**ELD 4: Symbol, Letter, and Print Knowledge in English**

**Physical Development and Health Measures**

**PD-HLTH 5: Safety**

**PD-HLTH 6: Personal Care Routines: Hygiene**

**PD-HLTH 7: Personal Care Routines: Feeding**

**PD-HLTH 8: Personal Care Routines: Dressing**

**PD-HLTH 10: Nutrition**
- In the Comprehensive View, PD-HLTH 7 and 8 are conditional. In the Fundamental View, PD-HLTH 5-8 and PD-HLTH 10 are conditional.
- These measures are required for preschool-age children with IEPs
- If these measures are rated, determine the level of mastery and mark accordingly
- If these measures are not rated, check the box, “I did not rate this measure because it is not used for documenting progress or planning this child’s learning activities and supports”

**Step 3: Finalize the Assessment**
To finalize, simply review the assessment to make sure that you have entered a rating for all of the measures and that the Information Page is complete and up-to-date:

- For EESD programs: enter your ratings into DRDPtech,
- For SED programs: enter your ratings into your MIS system for your SELPA’s CASEMIS submission. Check with your administrator for when and to whom your Rating Records are due.
### Child Information

1. **Statewide Student Identifier (10-digit SSID):** ________________

2. **Agency Identifier:**  
   (agency identifier and statewide student identifier can be the same)

3. **Child's classroom or setting:** ________________________________

4. **Birth date (mm/dd/yyyy):** ______ / ______ / ________

5. **Gender**
   - Male
   - Female

6. **Initial date of enrollment in early childhood program (mm/dd/yyyy):** ______ / ______ / ________

7. **Date child was withdrawn from the program (mm/dd/yyyy):** ______ / ______ / ________

8a. **What is this child's ethnicity?**
   - Yes, Hispanic or Latino
   - No, not Hispanic or Latino

8b. **What is this child's race?**
   - Asian Indian
   - Black or African-American
   - Cambodian
   - Chinese
   - Filipino
   - Guamanian
   - Hawaiian
   - Hmong
   - Japanese
   - Intentionally left blank
   - Korean
   - Laotian
   - Native American
   - Other Asian
   - Other Pacific Islander
   - Samoan
   - Tahitian
   - Vietnamese
   - White

17. **Does this child have an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP)?**
   - Yes
   - No
   - Don't know

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### Observer Information

9. **Agency:** __________________________Site: __________________________

10. **Your name:** __________________________Title: __________________________

11. **Are you the primary teacher working with this child?**
   - Yes
   - No (specify your relationship to the child):

12. **Did another adult assist you with assessing this child?**
   - Yes (role/relation):
   - No
   - Not applicable (I understand and use the child's home language)

13. **Child's home language(s):** __________________________

14. **What language(s) do you speak with this child?**

15. **Did someone who understands and uses the child's home language assist you with completing the observation?**
   - Yes, role/relation:
   - No
   - Not applicable (I understand and use the child's home language)

16. **Child is enrolled in:**
   - State Infant/Toddler Program
   - Migrant
   - Head Start
   - First 5
   - Early Head Start
   - Title 1
   - Child Care Center
   - Family Child Care Home
   - Tribal Head Start
   - Other

17. **Child's tuition fees are:**
   - Subsidized (tuition assistance)
   - Not subsidized (full fee)
   - Don't know
1. Child's first name (Legal): ________________________________
2. Child's last name (Legal): ________________________________
3. Date DRDP (2015) was completed (e.g., 09/07/2015) ___________ / ___________ / ___________
4. Assessment period (e.g., Fall 2015) ________________________________

**Special Education Information**

14. Special education eligibility. Check one.

- Autism
- Hard of Hearing
- Deaf-Blindness
- Intellectual Disability
- Specific Learning Disability
- Deafness
- Multiple Disability
- Orthopedic Impairment
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Emotional Disturbance
- Other Health Impairment
- Established Medical Disability
- Visual Impairment
- Speech or Language Impairment
- Other Health Impairment

15. Adaptations used in the assessment. Check all that apply.

- Augmentative or alternative communication system
- Alternative mode for written language
- Visual support
- Assistive equipment or device
- Functional positioning
- Sensory support
- Alternative response mode
- None

**Program Information**

16. SELPA ________________________________
17. District of service ________________________________

**Assessment Information**

18. Name of person completing the assessment ________________________________
19. Role of person completing the assessment:

- Early Intervention Specialist
- Speech/Language Pathologist
- Occupational/Physical Therapist
- Teacher of the Deaf/Hard of Hearing
- Program Specialist or Administrator
- Teacher of the Visually Impaired
- Special Education Teacher
- Other

20. Assistance completing the assessment? □ Yes □ No

If yes, what is that person’s relationship to the child? ________________________________
**Quick Guide to Rating the Measures**

1. **Review your documentation/evidence.**
   Review your own observation notes, observations from others (including teachers, family members/caregivers, and other service providers or caregivers, obtained through interview or conversations), and other documentation, including samples of children's work, photographs, and video/audio recordings of children's communication and behavior.

2. **Carefully read the definition and the descriptors, looking for mastery.**
   Read the descriptors before you read the examples. As you read the descriptors, try to narrow down which one is most consistent with your observations and other documentation of the child's typical behavior. A developmental level is mastered if the child demonstrates the knowledge, behaviors, and skills defined at that level:
   - Consistently over time
   - In different situations or settings

3. **After you read the descriptors, consider the examples.**
   The examples represent only some of the possible ways a child might demonstrate mastery. They are not a checklist of what the child must demonstrate. It is possible that a child does not demonstrate any of the specific examples provided, but does demonstrate mastery in other ways that are consistent with the intent of the descriptor.

4. **Based on your careful reading of the descriptors and examples and a review of your documentation, determine the child's level of mastery.**
   Once you’ve determined the latest developmental level the child has mastered, mark it appropriately.

5. **Indicate if the child is emerging to the next level (when the option to mark emerging is available).**
   If your observations indicate that the child has demonstrated mastery for a developmental level and is also beginning to demonstrate knowledge, skills, or behaviors described for the next level (although not yet consistently across situations or settings), the child may be emerging to the next level.

**Important Note:** When reading the descriptors, be sure you understand and pay attention to semicolons and the words “or” and “and.” Most descriptors define a single skill or behavior, but some include more than one. If the descriptor includes:

- The word “or,” the child only needs to demonstrate the behavior in one of the ways listed for the developmental level to be considered mastered.
- The word “and,” all parts of the descriptor are required for mastery and need to be observed together.
- A semi-colon (;) followed by the word “and,” the child must demonstrate all the behaviors listed to master the level, but not necessarily during the same observation.

Remember, the examples illustrate only some of the many ways a child may demonstrate mastery.
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### ATL-REG 1: Attention Maintenance

**Developmental Domain:** ATL-REG — Approaches to Learning–Self-Regulation

**ATL-REG 1: Attention Maintenance**

Child develops the capacity to pay attention to people, things, or the environment when interacting with others or exploring play materials

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**Mark the latest developmental level the child has mastered:**

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<td>• Resumes playing at sand table when an adult joins in digging.</td>
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<td>• Starts working on a simple puzzle with an adult and continues when the adult steps away briefly.</td>
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<td>• Continues playing with toy cars, adding a bridge offered by an adult sitting nearby.</td>
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<td>• Makes a pile of pretend pancakes with play dough on own and then offers them to peers.</td>
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<td>• Builds multiple towers with interlocking blocks.</td>
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- Child is emerging to the next developmental level
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## ATL-REG 2: Self-Comforting

Child develops the capacity to comfort or soothe self in response to distress from internal or external stimulation.

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<td>Engages in behaviors that have previously worked to soothe self</td>
<td>Comforts self by seeking a familiar adult or a special thing</td>
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- **Possible Examples**
  - Cries when hears a loud noise.
  - Closes eyes when taken into bright sunlight.
  - Brings fist to mouth and fusses when hungry.
  - Sucks thumb or fist to soothe self.
  - Turns away from sensory experiences such as loud noises, bright lights, or specific textures.
  - Nuzzles face into a blanket or a familiar adult's shoulder when unfamiliar adults approach.
  - Retrieves a familiar object, such as a blanket, to soothe self when upset.
  - Gestures "up" to a familiar adult to be picked up when sleepy.
  - Seeks contact with a familiar adult when a toy is taken by another child.
  - Softly hums or vocalizes to self when lying down for naptime.
  - Goes to cubby and gets a photo of family when upset after a parent leaves.
  - Seeks out a cozy place to get away from active play of other children.
  - Remains seated in a small group activity while manipulating a favorite toy.
  - Asks what's going to happen next, to get ready to transition to a new activity.
  - Requests favorite book to read with parent before the parent leaves.
  - Moves away and covers ears when an adult brings out a vacuum to clean spilled sand on the floor.

- **Conditional Measure**
  - Measure not rated: the child's development is beyond the latest developmental level. (Required for children with IEPs)

- **Possible Examples**
  - Child is emerging to the next developmental level
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**ATL-REG 2**

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## Developmental Domain: ATL-REG — Approaches to Learning–Self-Regulation

### ATL-REG 3: Imitation

Child mirrors, repeats, and practices the actions or words of others in increasingly complex ways

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<td>Imitates approximations of single simple actions or sounds when interacting with others</td>
<td>Imitates actions, or Repeats familiar words or gestures by others when interacting with them</td>
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**Possible Examples**

- **Responding**
  - Makes a sound like “Mmmmm” after an adult makes the “Mmmmm” sound during feeding.
  - Smiles when an adult smiles.
  - Widens eyes and raises eyebrows after observing these movements on an adult’s face during an interaction.
  - Pays attention to vocalizations from an adult, such as cooing, heard during an interaction.
  - Attends to an adult’s face during an interaction.
  - Orients toward the gestures of a familiar adult.

- **Exploring**
  - Opens and shuts hands as an adult leads open-shut-them finger play.
  - Raises arms in the air, following an adult’s actions, during a game of “So big!”
  - Holds a toy telephone to ear and says, “Hello.”
  - Places doll in front of a toy shopping cart and wheels it around the room, placing objects in the cart.
  - Engages in exercise movements that adults typically do.
  - Wraps a teddy bear in a blanket and communicates, “Night-night.”

- **Building**
  - Communicates, “Be safe,” (using adult intonation) when friends begin to move too fast through the classroom.
  - Pretends to cook a meal by taking out play food and pots, turning on a toy stove, and stirring the pots with a spoon.
  - Dresses up with fancy shoes and clothes in dress-up area, and communicates, “It’s time to party.”

**Integrating**

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**Conditional Measure**

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- ○ Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence
## Developmental Domain: ATL-REG — Approaches to Learning—Self-Regulation

### ATL-REG 4: Curiosity and Initiative in Learning

Child explores the environment in increasingly focused ways to learn about people, things, materials, and events

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<td>Responds to people, things, or sounds</td>
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<td>• Orients toward a noise.</td>
<td>• Bangs a drum with hands repeatedly.</td>
<td>• Moves around a fish bowl to continue watching a fish as it swims around objects.</td>
<td>• Uses a magnetic wand to figure out which objects on a table it will lift up.</td>
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<td>• Turns head toward a person who comes into view or begins talking.</td>
<td>• Touches hair of another child.</td>
<td>• Drops a marble in a maze and follows its path as it rolls to the bottom.</td>
<td>• Uses a magnifying glass to observe a caterpillar closely, and describes its pattern of colors and number of legs.</td>
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<td>• Looks at a mobile.</td>
<td>• Watches intently as an adult prepares snack.</td>
<td>• Asks, “What’s that doing?” when seeing or hearing a bulldozer across the street while on a neighborhood walk.</td>
<td>• Places a variety of objects in water to see which will float and which will sink.</td>
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**ATL-REG 5: Self-Control of Feelings and Behavior**

Child increasingly develops strategies for regulating feelings and behavior, becoming less reliant on adult guidance over time.

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| **Responding** | **Exploring** | **Building** | **Integrating** |
| **Earlier** | **Later** | **Earlier** | **Later** | **Middle** | **Later** | **Earlier** |
| Calms when comforted by an adult | Seeks a familiar adult when distressed, and responds when physically comforted by a familiar adult | Calms self when a familiar adult initiates contact, moves close, or offers a special thing | Relies on communication or guidance from a familiar adult to regulate emotional or behavioral reactions in moderately stressful situations | Demonstrates capacity to regulate emotional or behavioral reactions in some moderately stressful situations, occasionally needing adult support | Expresses strong feelings through constructive forms of communication, seeking the assistance of familiar adults when needed | Uses simple strategies (e.g., leaving a difficult situation, offering an alternative toy to a friend) to regulate own feelings or behaviors | Uses socially appropriate strategies (e.g., negotiation, compromise, verbal reminders to self) to regulate own feelings or behaviors |

**Possible Examples**

- **Earlier**
  - Lessens or stops crying when picked up by an adult.
  - Relaxes in an adult’s arms when being held.
  - Quiets to the voice of a familiar adult.

- **Later**
  - Reaches toward a familiar adult to be comforted and nestles into the adult when held.
  - Vocalizes to a familiar adult and calms when the adult reaches over to pat child’s stomach.
  - Looks toward a familiar adult when startled, and relaxes when picked up.

- **Middle**
  - Gets up and looks for an adult after falling down, and then resumes play when the adult gives a reassuring look.
  - Stops crying after an adult offers a toy similar to the toy another child took.
  - Calms when an adult moves to sit closer on the floor.

- **Later**
  - Lets go of another child’s toy and accepts a different toy after a familiar adult communicates, “She’s playing with the blue truck. You can use the red one.”
  - Gets a towel when an adult suggests that they work together to clean up a spill that the child is upset about.
  - Accepts an adult’s invitation to move closer, after noticing child’s worried look when an unfamiliar adult enters the room.

- **Earlier**
  - Waits to ride a favorite tricycle without trying to take it from another child.
  - Pauses and sighs after tower falls down, and then starts to rebuild it when an adult asks, “Do you want to make it again?”
  - Frowns, but goes to play with something else, when an adult communicates that it is not yet time to go outside.

- **Later**
  - Insists that another child return a favorite doll, but when refused, asks a familiar adult for help.
  - Communicates feelings of anger, through words or gestures, to a familiar adult when another child takes a toy without asking.
  - Communicates, “Tôi muốn ngồi ở đây,” [“I want to sit here,” in Vietnamese], when upset that there are no empty chairs near a friend.

- **Middle**
  - Offers a toy in exchange when another child has a desired toy.
  - Asks another child who is painting at an easel, “When is it my turn? I’ve been waiting.”
  - Leaves the block area after unsuccessfully attempting to join peers, and then moves to the dramatic play area to join other children in play.

- **Later**
  - Communicates, “I want a turn. Can I use the scooter after you go around two times?” after watching another child ride for a while.
  - Communicates, “Don’t push!” to another child trying to fit at the water table, and then says, “Here’s a place,” and moves over.
  - Communicates to self, in words or signs, that the monsters are just pretend, when attending to a scary story.

- **Earlier**
  - Uses a communication device to suggest a strategy to share the limited number of popular art materials during a collage project.

○ Child is emerging to the next developmental level
○ Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence
**Developmental Domain: ATL-REG — Approaches to Learning–Self-Regulation**

**ATL-REG 6: Engagement and Persistence**

Child increasingly persists in understanding or mastering activities, even if they are challenging or difficult

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- **Possible Examples**

**Responding**
- Participates in a simple activity briefly
  - There are no earlier levels for this measure

**Exploring**
- Selects activities, but switches quickly from one to another, even with adult support to help focus on one activity
- Continues self-selected activities with adult support, even though interest briefly shifts to other activities

**Building**
- Continues self-selected activities on own, seeking adult support to work through challenges
- Works through challenges on own while engaged in self-selected activities
- Continues to build a structure with interlocking blocks even when having difficulty finding the “right” pieces.
- Glues a variety of materials together to create a three-dimensional collage, trying different ways to make them stick.
- Writes own name, then writes it more clearly a second time at classroom sign-in table.

**Integrating**
- Returns to activities, including challenging ones, on multiple occasions to practice a skill or to complete the activity
- Continues working on a difficult puzzle, asking an adult for help when needed.
- Continues looking at a book as an adult encourages other children entering the same area to find a book.
- Asks adult for headphones, while listening to a story on tape, when other children begin to play noisily nearby.
- Starts to get ready to go outside with other children, and asks for adult assistance with fasteners when putting on shoes.

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**ATL-REG 7: Shared Use of Space and Materials**

Child develops the capacity to share the use of space and materials with others

### Possible Examples

- **Responding**
  - There are no earlier levels for this measure

- **Exploring**
  - Demonstrates preferences for a few specific toys or materials
  - Takes and plays with materials of interest, even when they are being used by another child
  - Shows awareness that other children might want to use materials, by taking action to control the materials

- **Building**
  - Maintains control of some preferred materials, allowing others to use the rest, but will need adult support to share preferred materials with other children

- **Integrating**
  - Follows expectations or procedures for sharing, most of the time, without adult prompting
  - Offers to share space or materials with others in the absence of explicit expectations for sharing

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**Shared Use of Space and Materials**

- Chooses to play with doll with red hair on repeated occasions.
- Chooses to play with the same toy dinosaur every day.
- Selects the green marker every time when at the art table.
- Takes another child’s toy, and seems surprised by the other child’s protest.
- Picks up a purple marker after another child put it down momentarily to do something else.
- Squeezes in between other children at the water table, making it difficult for the other children to continue their play.
- Keeps all of the crayons nearby even if only using one or two colors.
- Communicates, “Es mía,” [“It’s mine,” in Spanish], when another child reaches for a red cape.
- Places favorite dolls behind back when other children are playing in the doll area.
- Holds onto big brushes while painting at the table, but then gives other children some big brushes, with adult prompting.
- Keeps favorite crayons nearby, and pushes the basket of other colored crayons to the center of the table.
- Communicates to another child, “That’s mine [referring to a carpet square]. Go get one from the pile over there,” while getting ready for story time.
- Communicates, “It’s my turn when you are done,” to a child who is using the tricycle.
- Communicates to another child who wants to have a turn at the computer, after reminder by an adult that there is a waiting list.

- Brings a carpet square to another child while getting ready for story time, without being asked.
- Makes room for another child who wants to join in building a spaceship, and then offers a piece for the child to add.
- Uses a communication device to ask another child to join in making a necklace.

- Puts name on waiting list when wanting to have a turn at the computer, after reminder by an adult that there is a waiting list.
## Developmental Domain: SED — Social and Emotional Development

### SED 1: Identity of Self in Relation to Others

Child shows increasing awareness of self as distinct from and also related to others

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<td>• Examines own hand or foot by looking at it or mouthing it.</td>
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<td>• Touches others’ hair when it is within reach.</td>
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<td>• Plays with sound by repeating grunts and squeals.</td>
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<td>• Orient toward a familiar adult when own name is spoken or signed.</td>
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<td>• Points to picture of self on the wall.</td>
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<td>• Smiles when a familiar adult enters the room.</td>
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<td>• Communicates, “Me llamo Luis,” [“My name is Luis,” in Spanish].</td>
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<td>• Communicates names of immediate family members in a photo.</td>
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<td>• Looks to new baby sister and communicates her name.</td>
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<td>• Acts out roles from own family in pretend play.</td>
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<td>• Communicates, “I’m making cookies—just like Grandma!” while rolling play dough.</td>
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<td>• Narrates details while drawing a picture of a friend.</td>
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<td>• Communicates, using communication board, “His hair is red!”</td>
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<td>• Identifies own height, as indicated on a growth chart posted on the wall.</td>
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<td>• Communicates, “我喜歡游泳, 但是我姐姐不喜歡,” [“I love to swim, but my sister doesn’t,” in Chinese].</td>
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### Developmental Domain: SED — Social and Emotional Development

#### SED 2: Social and Emotional Understanding

Child shows developing understanding of people’s behaviors, feelings, thoughts, and individual characteristics

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- **Responding**
  - Child responds to faces, voices, or actions of familiar people.
  - Child responds to a familiar adult.
  - Child responds to familiar adults when being held by another adult.
  - Child responds to a familiar adult's voice.
  - Child responds to being picked up by a familiar adult.

- **Exploring**
  - Child interacts in simple ways with familiar adults and tries to maintain the interactions.
  - Child interacts in simple ways with familiar adults and tries to maintain the interactions.
  - Child initiates activities with familiar adults; and seeks out assistance or support from familiar adults.

- **Building**
  - Child engages in extended interactions with familiar adults in a variety of situations (e.g., sharing ideas or experiences, solving simple problems).
  - Child seeks a familiar adult's ideas or explanations about events or experiences that are interesting to the child.
  - Child seeks a familiar adult's ideas or explanations about events or experiences that are interesting to the child.

- **Integrating**
  - Child takes initiative in creating cooperative activities with a familiar adult.
  - Child works cooperatively with familiar adults, over sustained periods, to plan and carry out activities or to solve problems.

- **Possible Examples**
  - Widens eyes or brightens face at the face of a familiar adult.
  - Orient toward a familiar adult's voice.
  - Quiets when picked up by a familiar adult.
  - Reaches for a familiar adult when being held by another adult.
  - Vocalizes at a familiar adult to gain the adult's attention.
  - Laughs in anticipation before a familiar adult nuzzles child's neck.
  - Places toy on a familiar adult's lap, goes to get another toy, and then places that toy on the adult's lap.
  - Puts hands near head to continue a game of peek-a-boo when a familiar adult pauses.
  - Repeatedly hands little cars to a familiar adult to continue a joint activity.
  - Grasps a familiar adult's hand to gain attention, and then gestures to begin a finger-play game.
  - Communicates interest in looking at a book with a familiar adult.
  - Brings a blanket to a familiar adult and then climbs into the adult's lap when upset.
  - Gestures to a familiar adult for assistance about how to remove a tight lid from a canister.
  - Communicates to a familiar adult, "Want some tea?" during a pretend tea party.
  - Completes a simple puzzle with a familiar adult, taking turns to fit pieces.
  - Shares rocks collected while playing outside with a familiar adult.
  - Uses an electronic tablet to play a game with a familiar adult.
  - Asks a teacher why another child is not going outside with the group.
  - Communicates to an adult, "What's the bee doing?" while watching a bee fly from flower to flower or sharing a book together about bees.
  - Asks a familiar adult for a suggestion about how to build the tower to keep it from falling down.
  - Offers to place napkins and cups on the table when a familiar adult is preparing a snack.
  - Brings a board game to a familiar adult and communicates an interest in playing together.
  - Gives pretend food to a familiar adult and communicates, "I made some hamburgers for you. You tell me what you want to drink."
  - Works together with a familiar adult to complete a puzzle over several days, organizing pieces in different ways.
  - Plans a gardening activity with a familiar adult, communicating by signing the materials needed.
  - Gathers possible construction materials, such as glue, paper, and scissors, from a supply shelf to contribute to a building project with a familiar adult.
  - Works with a familiar adult and a group of children to make a piñata over two days, offering alternatives for its shape and construction and what will go inside.

- **Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence**
**Developmental Domain: SED — Social and Emotional Development**

### SED 4: Relationships and Social Interactions with Peers

Child becomes increasingly competent and cooperative in interactions with peers and develops friendships with several peers

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<td>Shows awareness of other people, including children</td>
<td>Show interest in other children</td>
<td>Plays alongside other children, rarely interacting with them</td>
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<td>• Cries when hearing the sound of another child crying.</td>
<td>• Moves excitedly when another child comes near.</td>
<td>• Hands a bucket to a familiar peer sitting next to child in the sandbox.</td>
<td>• Builds a train track with two friends, taking turns connecting the track pieces.</td>
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<td>• Orient toward another child.</td>
<td>• Selects a truck when other children nearby are playing with trucks.</td>
<td>• Plays chase briefly outside with two peers, and then goes to play alone in sandbox.</td>
<td>• Plays superheroes with peers, planning different characters and scenarios.</td>
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<td>• Notices another child nearby.</td>
<td>• Explores a toy alongside another child who is also exploring.</td>
<td>• Splashes excitedly with a peer at the water table, continuing back and forth.</td>
<td>• Joins peers in planning and gathering materials needed for a nature walk, such as nets, baskets, and bags.</td>
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| | | Participates in extended episodes of cooperative play (including pretend play) with one or two friends |
| | | Initiates sustained episodes of cooperative play (including pretend play), particularly with friends |
| | | Organizes or participates in planning cooperative play activities with several peers, particularly with friends |

- Child is emerging to the next developmental level
- Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence
### Developmental Domain: SED — Social and Emotional Development

**SED 5: Symbolic and Sociodramatic Play**

Child develops the capacity to use objects to represent other objects or ideas and to engage in symbolic play with others.

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<td>• Cries in response to a loud voice.</td>
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<td>• Looks toward a lamp when it is turned on.</td>
<td>• Grabs a toy, shakes it, and then shakes it again.</td>
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<td>• Moves arm in response to a touch.</td>
<td>• Picks up a toy and mouths it.</td>
<td>• Pushes a toy car along the floor.</td>
<td>• Makes a pretend cake in the sandbox and offers a “taste” to an adult.</td>
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<td>• Gazes intently at an adult’s changing facial expressions.</td>
<td>• Places objects from around the room in a toy shopping cart.</td>
<td>• Makes a “pizza” out of play dough and puts it in the play oven.</td>
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<td>• Pretends that puzzle pieces are cookies.</td>
<td>• Pretends to put out fires on the playground with others, using pretend hoses and wearing firefighter hats.</td>
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<td>• Pumps arm while saying, “Whoo-whoo,” and then collects “tickets” from seated “passengers.”</td>
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<td>• Plays store, “scanning” items, placing them in bags, and collecting “money” from peers.</td>
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<td>• Uses a hose to “pump gas” as other children wait in line with their tricycles.</td>
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<td>• Agrees with peers on who will be the bus driver, who will be the child, and who will be the mommy, while acting out school-bus play.</td>
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<td>• Plans with peers to pretend to be a family going on a trip: using chairs as seats for a car, negotiating roles, and deciding where they will go.</td>
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<td>• Assigns roles and acts out classroom routines (e.g., circle time, snack time) with other children.</td>
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- ○ Child is emerging to the next developmental level
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### Developmental Domain: LLD — Language and Literacy Development

#### LLD 1: Understanding of Language (Receptive)

Child understands increasingly complex communication and language.

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- **Responds to voices, sounds, gestures, or facial expressions in basic ways**
  - Smiles or gurgles in response to a familiar adult’s voice or simple gestures.
  - Makes a sound similar to “Mmmmm” during a social interaction with a familiar adult.
  - Averts eyes to disengage from a social interaction with an adult.

- **Responds to voices, gestures, or facial expressions in a variety of ways (e.g., gaze aversion, vocalization, movements)**
  - Bounces or waves arms to indicate interest in continuing an activity after an adult pauses and asks, “More?”
  - Orient toward a familiar person or thing when it is named.

- **Recognizes a few frequently used words or gestures in familiar situations**
  - Indicates a bell in a storybook when adult asks about a bell.
  - Looks to the wagon after an adult refers to the wagon
  - Points to pictures of a bird, a tree, and a house, as an adult says the name of each, while looking at a book together.

- **Shows understanding of a variety of single words**
  - Gets jacket after an adult communicates, “Get your jacket. It’s time to go outside.”
  - Moves to the sink after an adult communicates, “Time to wash hands.”
  - Passes the milk at lunch time after an adult communicates, “Please pass the milk.”

- **Shows understanding of frequently used simple phrases or sentences**
  - Offers to help after an adult communicates, “Would you like to help me feed the turtle?”
  - Collects different types of art supplies after an adult explains an art project and where to find the supplies.
  - Hands crayons from the shelf after an adult asks, “Can you hand me the crayons that are on the shelf?”

- **Shows understanding of a wide variety of phrases or sentences**
  - Adds blocks to a tower after a peer says, “Let’s make our skyscraper the tallest!”
  - Holds the door open, after an adult asks the child to do so, until all of the other children have come into the room.
  - Points to the picture of an eagle and its nest while sharing a book about animals building their homes.

- **Shows understanding of some complex vocabulary, phrases, or sentences as used in conversations, stories, or learning activities**
  - Communicates, “I’m a princess and I live in a castle,” while playing dress-up.
  - Pretends to be a character in a story after a read-aloud of the story.
  - Draws a picture about the changing seasons, after an adult talks about why the weather has changed.

- **Shows understanding of a series of complex statements that explain how or why things happen**
  - Explains how to plant seeds to a peer after an adult reads a book about planting seeds.
  - Draws a picture about the changing seasons, after an adult talks about why the weather has changed.
  - Selects materials that float, while making a boat, after hearing an adult talk about materials that float or sink.

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**Developmental Domain: LLD — Language and Literacy Development**

**LLD 2: Responsiveness to Language**

Child communicates or acts in response to language and responds to increasingly complex language

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| Responds to voices, sounds, gestures, or facial expressions in basic ways | Responds to voices, gestures, or facial expressions in a variety of ways (e.g., eye gaze, gaze aversion, vocalization, movements) | Responds to a few frequently used words or gestures in familiar situations | Responds to simple comments that relate to a present situation |

#### Possible Examples
- Turns head or looks in direction of voices.
- Sustains gaze at an adult’s smiling face.
- Quiets or orients in the direction of a sound or gesture.
- Cries when child hears another child cry.
- Smiles in response to a familiar adult’s voice or gestures.
- Vocalizes in response to a familiar adult’s voice.
- Moves toward a familiar adult’s extended arms.
- Turns head and looks away after a familiar adult offers a bottle or food again.
- Reaches for a familiar object after it is named.
- Looks up at sky after an adult communicates, “There’s an airplane.”
- Picks up sand toys after an adult says, “Please pick up the sand toys.”
- Brings a watering can to the garden after a peer asks, “Want to water?”
- Communicates, “Okay,” after an adult asks, “Your friend wants to play, too.”
- Calms when adult communicates, “Your turn is next.”
- Communicates, “Yo,” “[Me],” in Spanish, after an adult asks, “Who is the helper for snack?”
- Puts compostable cup into compost bin recently added to the room after adult communicates, “Please put your cup in the compost bin.”
- Follows the steps communicated by an adult at the end of an art activity to remove smock, hang it up, and then wash hands.
- Communicates, “Let’s get ready for the new music teacher.”
- Puts toy in cubby and goes to rug when adult communicates it is time to put your toy in the cubby and go to the rug for story time.
- Chooses a book and then carries it to the library counter after an adult says, “Find a book and take it to the library counter.”
- Gathers different materials from outside, brings them inside, and places them on a table, as suggested by an adult, to create a nature display.
- Cares for a new pet for the first time by providing clean water, food, and fresh shavings for a guinea pig, after being told the steps by a peer.
- Vocalizes in response to a familiar adult’s voice.
- Moves toward a familiar adult’s extended arms.
- Turns head and looks away after a familiar adult offers a bottle or food again.
- Communicates, “There’s an airplane.”
- Communicates, “Okay,” after an adult asks, “Your friend wants to play, too.”
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- Child is emerging to the next developmental level
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**LLD 3: Communication and Use of Language (Expressive)**

Child's communication develops from nonverbal communication to using language with increasingly complex words and sentences.

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<td>Makes sounds spontaneously</td>
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<td>• Smiles when a familiar person approaches.</td>
<td>• Names familiar foods, toys, or family members.</td>
<td>• Communicates, “A mí me toca,” [“It’s my turn,” in Spanish] when an adult brings the pet rabbit for a visit.</td>
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<td>• Cries or looks at an adult when hungry.</td>
<td>• Communicates ideas such as “No,” “More,” or “Up.”</td>
<td>• Communicates, “The rabbit is scared,” when the pet rabbit snuggles into an adult’s lap. (“Scared” is an adjective.)</td>
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<td>• Vocalizes or babbles while interacting with an adult.</td>
<td>• Indicates a picture of a ball when asked what the child wants to play with next.</td>
<td>• Communicates using a communication board, “I need a tissue. My nose is runny.” (“Tissue” is a noun and “runny” is an adjective.)</td>
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<td>• Communicates, “Mommy come,” when wanting a parent.</td>
<td>• Communicates using a communication device, “The dog ate the cat’s food, and then he got in trouble. We put him outside and he was very sad.”</td>
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<td>• Communicates, “More juice,” when thirsty.</td>
<td>• Communicates, “His birthday is tomorrow. He will be five.” (“His” is a possessive pronoun; “will be” is future tense.)</td>
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<td>• Communicates, “I want mommy.”</td>
<td>• Communicates in sign language that the cat’s feet are wet. (“Cat’s” is possessive; “feet” is plural.)</td>
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<td>• Communicates, “I like dogs,” while looking at an animal book.</td>
<td>• Communicates, “He ran really fast.” (“runned” is past tense with a grammatical error.)</td>
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<td>• Communicates to a peer, during play, “Yesterday we made vegetable soup.” (“We” is a pronoun; “made” is past tense.)</td>
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<td>• Communicates, “Dragons don’t need bikes ‘cause they can fly. They have really big wings.”</td>
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<td>• Communicates to a peer, “Let’s hurry and clean up so we can go outside to ride bikes.”</td>
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<td>• Communicates via spoken words, signs, or a communication device, “The dog ate the cat’s food, and then he got in trouble. We put him outside and he was very sad.”</td>
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<td>• Communicates, “Mi abuela es muy vieja. Tiene el cabello blanco y muchas arrugas,” [“My grandma is really old. She has white hair and lots of wrinkles,” in Spanish].</td>
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**LLD 3**

*Communication and Use of Language (Expressive)*

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**Responds to sounds or movements of others in basic ways**
- Looks in the direction of voices or movement.
- Smiles at an approaching familiar adult.
- Expresses, “Ba,” in response to an adult talking about a ball, and then waits for the adult to respond.
- Communicates, “Yes,” or “No,” after an adult asks, “Do you want more milk?”
- Rubs eyes and responds, “Night-night,” after a familiar adult asks, “Are you tired?”
- Brings a ball to an adult, and then responds, “Ball,” after the adult asks, “Do you want me to play ball with you?”
- Makes eye contact with an adult while holding a stuffed bear. When the adult asks, “Whose teddy bear is that?” communicates, “My bear.”
- Communicates with an adult while playing house.
- Hands play dough to a peer. When the peer takes the play dough and says, “I’m gonna make a dog,” responds, “I’m making a snake.”
- Asks a peer for some blocks to put in child’s truck while playing with trucks. When the peer responds, “Here,” and hands over several blocks, responds, “That’s too many,” and takes only two blocks from the peer.
- Communicates, “That’s my family,” while looking at a photo with a peer. When the peer says, “You have two sisters,” responds, “I have a big sister, and that’s my baby sister.”
- Communicates with a peer about things that they like to do together with their families. Says, “My family goes to the park on Sundays.” When peer asks, “Every Sunday,” child responds, “Yeah, but sometimes we go to the park with the swimming pool and sometimes the park with the big playground.” Then when peer says, “My grandma takes me to the park,” child responds, “My grandma takes me to the store.”
- Communicates with a peer about the size of dinosaurs. When the adult says that dinosaurs were all different sizes, child responds by naming a big dinosaur, then naming a small dinosaur. Then when the adult says that some dinosaurs had horns, child continues the conversation by saying that some dinosaurs flew like birds.
- Has a conversation with an adult while planting sunflower seeds together, asking how to plant the seeds and making guesses about how big the plants will get and how long it will take before the plants begin to grow.
- Has a conversation with a peer before while building a fort, including offering ideas on what materials they need and suggesting ways to make sure that the walls keep standing as they are building it.
- Has a conversation with an adult about how dinosaurs lived and how people live, providing suggestions about what it would be like if dinosaurs and people lived in the same place.

**Possible Examples**

- Responds to or seeks contact with familiar adults, using vocalizations, gestures, or facial expressions during interactions.
- Engages in brief back-and-forth communication with a familiar adult, using word approximations, vocalizations, gestures, or facial expressions.
- Engages in brief back-and-forth communication with a familiar adult, using simple words or conventional gestures to communicate meaning.
- Engages in brief back-and-forth communication, combining words to communicate meaning.
- Engages in brief conversations, using short phrases and sentences.
- Engages in brief conversations with a shared focus.
- Engages in conversations with a shared focus, contributing clarifying comments or building on the other person’s ideas.
- Engages in extended focused conversations that involve reasoning, predicting, problem solving, or understanding ideas.

- Child is emerging to the next developmental level
- Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence

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*Conversations can include communication using sign language or alternative communication systems.*
## Developmental Domain: LLD — Language and Literacy Development

### LLD 5: Interest in Literacy

Child shows interest in books, songs, rhymes, stories, and other literacy activities in increasingly complex ways.

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<td>• Orient to an adult's face or voice during a caregiving routine.</td>
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<td>• Uses simple hand movements to participate during a familiar song or rhyme with a familiar adult.</td>
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<td>• Picks up a book and looks at pictures, turns a few pages, and then drops the book to go play.</td>
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<td>• Asks for help finding a book about bugs after a nature walk.</td>
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**LLD 6: Comprehension of Age-Appropriate Text**

Child develops capacity to understand details and ideas from age-appropriate text presented by adults.

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- **Possible Examples**

- **Responding**
  - Shows interest when attending to books, pictures, or print materials, with an adult
  - Provides simple one- or two-word responses to questions when attending to books or other materials that include text, with an adult
  - Makes comments or asks questions about text presented in books or the environment
  - Demonstrates knowledge of main characters, events, or ideas in familiar narrative or informational text
  - Demonstrates understanding of both narrative and informational text by summarizing, comparing, or making inferences about people, objects, or events

- **LLD 6: Comprehension of Age-Appropriate Text**

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- **LLD 6**

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## Developmental Domain: LLD — Language and Literacy Development

### LLD 7: Concepts About Print

Child shows an increasing understanding of the conventions and physical organization of print material and that print carries meaning*

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**Possible Examples**

- **Responding**
  - Explores books
  - There are no earlier levels for this measure

- **Exploring**
  - Engages with print materials while being read to by an adult
  - Demonstrates awareness of the way books are handled
  - Demonstrates understanding that print and symbols carry meaning
  - Demonstrates understanding of how to follow print on a page of text
  - Demonstrates understanding that print is organized into units, such as letters, sounds, and words

- **Building**
  - Demonstrates understanding that print and symbols carry meaning
  - Communicates, “There are two words on this sign,” while looking at a sign with the words “Writing Center.”
  - Creates a pretend grocery list with letters that look like words, then names the words as grocery items, such as “corn,” “milk,” and “bread.”

- **Integrating**
  - Communicates that the first letter or sound of a peer’s name is the same as the first letter or sound of child’s own name

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* Children who are familiar with print in languages other than English may demonstrate differences in how they approach print materials. Some languages (e.g., English, Spanish, Tagalog, Vietnamese) are written from left to right within a horizontal line of print and from top to bottom in books and other print media. Other languages (e.g., Arabic, Hebrew) are written from right to left within a horizontal line of print and from top to bottom in books and other print media.

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**Possible Examples**

- Opens and closes a book.
- Touches the pages of a book when looking at a book on own.
- Holds or carries a book.
- Brings book to adult.
- Points to pictures in a book while an adult reads the book aloud.
- Lifts tabs in an interactive book while being read to by an adult.
- Picks up a book, opens it up, and then turns it right side up.
- “Reads” to self, attempting to turn pages from front to back.
- Turns pages of an adapted book, using ice pop stick handles.
- Points at a stop sign and then communicates, “That means stop,” while on a neighborhood walk.
- Points to the print while pretending to read a page with both print and pictures.
- Requests that an adult write words next to a picture the child has drawn.
- Moves fingers along print, from one end of the page to another.
- Points to the first word on a page and then communicates, “Bắt đầu ở đây,” [“Start here,” in Vietnamese].
- Points to the words on the front cover of the book or title page and communicates that it is the name of the book.
- Follows along Braille text with both hands.
- Communicates that the first letter or sound of a peer’s name is the same as the first letter or sound of child’s own name.

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**LLD 8: Phonological Awareness**

Child shows increasing awareness of the sounds (elements) that make up language, including the ability to manipulate them in language*

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### Possible Examples

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  - Turns toward adult when adult sings a song.
  - Looks at adult's hands when adult signs "more."
  - Attends to adult saying, "bye-bye."

- **Middle**
  - Whispers a word, and then says it loudly.
  - Communicates, “No, no, no, no,” varying pitch.
  - Uses sounds or hand movements to play with variations of stress and rhythm.
  - Rhymes children's names with other words during a group sing-along.
  - Sings “Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star” with a group.
  - Communicates the rhyming word “fall,” after an adult says, “Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall. Humpty Dumpty had a great . . . ?”
  - Uses signs to participate in a song such as “The Wheels on the Bus.”

- **Later**
  - Answers, “Goldfish,” after an adult asks, “If you put together the words 'gold' and 'fish,' what word does that make?”
  - Communicates, “Rain,” after an adult communicates, “There are two words in ‘raincoat.’ What happens when we take away the word 'coat?” while moving a picture of a coat away from a picture of rain.
  - Communicates, “Zebra,” after an adult separates the word into syllables, and says, “Ze–,” and “–bra,” while looking at a wordless picture book about the zoo.
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**Developmental Domain: LLD — Language and Literacy Development**

**LLD 9: Letter and Word Knowledge**

Child shows increasing awareness of letters in the environment and their relationship to sound, including understanding that letters make up words.

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**Possible Examples**

- Points to a picture of a bird in a book when adult communicates, "Bird."
- Goes and gets teddy bear after seeing a picture of a bear.
- Sees a photo of mother and communicates, "Mama."

- Recognizes that a stop sign means "stop."
- Places paper in a recycling bin after noticing the recycling symbol (three arrows forming a circle) on the bin.
- Notices a familiar store or business in the neighborhood from its logo.
- Asks an adult what signs in Braille say.

- Holds up hand or communicates, "Me," when an adult holds up a sign with child’s name.
- Finds the first letter of own name in the environment, such as on labels, artwork, cubbies, or chairs.
- Communicates, "I found the same letter," when playing a letter matching game in print or Braille.

- Names some letters while looking at an alphabet book.
- Points and names some letters in an alphabet puzzle.
- Identifies some letters in Braille.

- Names at least ten letters while placing them on a magnet board.
- Copies the word "cat" and communicates that it says "cat" (letters may not be written accurately).
- Communicates, "Ball starts with B," after hearing the word "ball" in a story.

- Communicates, "Hay dos letras A en mi nombre, una A grande y una a pequeña," ["I have two As in my name, one big A and one little a," in Spanish] when reading own name, Anna, on cubby.
- Names, by sight or touch, most of the letters of the alphabet, when reading an alphabet book.
- Communicates, "Ball starts with B," after hearing the word "ball" in a story.

- Looks at the word "mat" in large print and says "m" (letter sound).
**Developmental Domain: LLD — Language and Literacy Development**

**LLD 10: Emergent Writing**

Child shows increasing ability to write using scribbles, marks, drawings, letters, characters, or words to represent meaning*

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- Dips sponge in paint and dots onto paper.
- Makes a dot on a paper and then makes more dots using different markers.
- Holds crayon against paper.
- Makes marks on paper
- Makes scribble marks
- Makes scribble marks or simple drawings that represent people, things, or events
- Makes marks to represent own name or words
- Uses letters or clearly recognizable approximations of letters to write own name
- Writes several words or a few simple phrases, or clearly recognizable approximations

- Possible Examples
  - [ ] Child is emerging to the next developmental level
  - [ ] Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence

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* Children who are familiar with print in languages other than English may demonstrate differences in how they approach writing. For instance, some languages use letters (e.g., English, Spanish, Tagalog, Arabic, Hebrew), while others use characters (e.g., Chinese).

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**ELD 1: Comprehension of English (Receptive English)**

Child shows increasing progress toward fluency in understanding English.

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**Discovering Language**
- Recognizes a few frequently used words or gestures in the home language and culture in familiar situations

**Discovering English**
- Shows understanding of words and phrases in conversations, stories, and interactions in home language (may show little understanding of common words and phrases in English)

**Exploring English**
- Attends to interactions in English and sometimes participates in activities conducted in English; and
- Shows understanding of a few common English words in familiar contexts or routines

**Developing English**
- Shows understanding of some common words and phrases in English during interactions and activities conducted in English, occasionally with support of home language, nonverbal cues, or both

**Building English**
- Shows understanding of many words, phrases, and concepts in English during interactions and activities conducted in English, occasionally with support of home language, nonverbal cues, or both

**Integrating English**
- Shows understanding of most information and concepts communicated in English for both instructional and social purposes

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**Possible Examples**
- Waves good-bye after an adult communicates, “Good-bye,” in the child’s home language and culture.
- Indicates interest in continuing an activity after an adult pauses and asks to continue in the child’s home language and culture.
- Orient toward a familiar person or thing when it is named in the home language.
- Adds a block to the top of a tower in response to a question in the child’s home language, “Can you make it taller?”
- Passes a book to another child when requested in the child’s home language, having not responded to the same request in English.
- Seeks out and plays with peers who speak the child’s home language, while in the dramatic play area.
- Pauses to listen to peers speaking English for a short period of time while playing in the sandbox.
- Nods head when an adult asks in English, “Do you want more apples?” while holding up a plate of apple slices.
- Begins to put blocks on a shelf when a peer says in English, “Clean-up time.”
- Points to the ball when a peer says in English, “Where is the ball?” during outdoor play time.
- Goes to get markers after an adult asks in English if child would like to use paint or markers to make a birthday card for a peer.
- Approaches the door to go inside when an adult says in English, “It is time to go in for a snack,” and adds, “¡Hora de comer!” (“Time to eat!” in Spanish).
- Adds more blocks to a road when a peer communicates in English, “We need a longer road.”
- Pretends to talk on the phone when a peer says in English, “Baby’s sick. Call the doctor.”
- Puts drawing on the counter when an adult points to the counter and requests in English, “Please put your drawing on the counter. It’s wet and it needs to dry.”
- Sorts orange and green squash after an adult says in English, “Let’s separate them by color.”
- Brings a bigger block to a peer in response to a question in English by the peer, “Could you bring me the bigger block?”
- Nods head excitedly when a peer asks in English if child wants to ride bikes together outside.

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**Conditional Measure**
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<td>Communicates in English, using single words and common phrases (may mix English with home language)</td>
<td>Communicates in English, using sentences that may be incomplete (may contain grammatical errors and may mix English with home language)</td>
<td>Communicates in English, often using complete sentences, about a variety of social and instructional concepts and topics (may contain grammatical errors and may mix English with home language)</td>
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**Possible Examples**

- **Uses a few “first words” or word-like sounds or gestures to communicate in home language**
  - Takes an adult’s arm and leads the adult to the drawing area, where several children are drawing, and reaches or gestures toward the paper container.
  - Nods, “Yes,” and responds in home language in response to a routine question such as, “Do you want more milk?” while an adult holds up a pitcher of milk.
  - Communicates, “¿Puedo pintar contigo?” (“Can I paint with you?” in Spanish) while approaching a peer who is painting.
  - Communicates, “这是它们的家。” (“This is their home,” in Chinese) while putting some toy animals under a blanket in the dramatic play area.

- **Communicates in home language or nonverbally, or both**
  - Communicates in English, “Bye,” to a peer when leaving at the end of the day.
  - Greets peers in home language and joins in singing the words “good morning” in English during the daily morning song.
  - Chimes in with, “The end!” in English when an adult finishes reading a story to a small group of children.

- **Communicates most competently in home language, occasionally using single words or short memorized sequences of words in English**
  - Communicates in English, “Marker,” to ask for a marker from a peer while playing restaurant in the dramatic play area.
  - Communicates in English, “I do a house,” (“I made a house,”) while painting.
  - Communicates to a peer in English, “My turn,” and gestures at the slide during outdoor play.
  - Communicates, “The dog 变成一个女士了,” (“The dog turned into a lady,” in English and Chinese) while helping to put a dress on a stuffed dog in the dramatic play area.

- **Communicates in English, using single words and common phrases (may mix English with home language)**
  - Communicates to a peer while playing with play dough, “I make galletitas [”cookies” in Spanish] and pan [”bread” in Spanish]. You like it?” (“I made cookies and bread. Do you like it?”)
  - Communicates to a peer in English, “Come! I show you!” (“Come! I will show you!”) and brings the peer to child’s cubby, where child takes a stuffed animal out of a bag.
  - Communicates, “The lamb lick my hand!” (“The lamb licked my hand”) when describing a family trip to a petting farm that occurred last weekend.
  - Communicates to a peer, “My dad rides a ngựa,” (“My dad rides a” in Vietnamese) while attempting to draw a horse.

- **Communicates in English, using sentences that may be incomplete (may contain grammatical errors and may mix English with home language)**
  - Communicates in English, “This is happy new year. This is mommy and me. We saw the dragon,” in response to an adult asking, “Tell me about your picture.”
  - Communicates to a peer, “I ate huevos [”little eggs” in Spanish]. The huevos were really yummy! My papi [”daddy” in Spanish] and me, we get them at la tiendita [”the little store” in Spanish].”
  - Communicates in English, “I’m going to cook them now,” while throwing some noodles made with play dough into a toy pot, and later puts “cooked noodles” on a plate and communicates, “Here’s a plate for you,” while handing it to a peer.

- **Communicates in English, often using complete sentences, about a variety of social and instructional concepts and topics (may contain grammatical errors and may mix English with home language)**
  - Communicates to a peer, “She is going to cook them now,” while thinking,” I’m going to cook them now,” while throwing some noodles made with play dough into a toy pot, and later puts “cooked noodles” on a plate and communicates, “Here’s a plate for you,” while handing it to a peer.

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**Self-Expression in English (Expressive English)**

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<td>Attends briefly to a familiar adult looking at books, singing songs, or saying rhymes in home language</td>
<td>Participates in literacy activities in home language; and Attends to simple literacy activities in English with some support</td>
<td>Uses home language, gestures, or single words in English to show understanding of literacy activities in English</td>
<td>Uses frequently used words and short phrases in English to communicate understanding about a book, story, song, or poem told, read, or sung in English (often uses actions; may mix English with home language)</td>
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  - Looks at pictures in a book for a short time while a familiar adult reads in the home language.
  - Reaches to turn the page of a board book as a familiar adult talks or signs in the home language about the pictures on the page.
  - Uses simple hand movements to participate during a familiar song or rhyme in the home language.
  - Joins in with peers who are singing a song or chanting in child’s home language.
  - Looks at pages of a picture book with a peer while an adult reads the book aloud in English.
  - Attends to the retelling of a story in English on the flannel board, after the story has been read in child’s home language.
  - Makes faces, gestures, or sounds like a tiger when an adult reads an illustrated poem in English about tigers.
  - Gestures at a picture of a baby bear and says, “Baby,” while an adult is reading a book about animals in English to a small group of children.
  - Comments in home language about a picture in a book, after hearing other children making comments.
  - Repeats the first line of “Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed,” with accompanying hand motions.
  - Draws a picture and communicates, “This is spider. This is fly,” after listening to the book The Very Busy Spider.
  - Communicates to a peer, “Look! Look! (Una oruga ["a caterpillar" in Spanish]! Like the book!” while playing outside, after The Very Hungry Caterpillar was read aloud in English.
  - Brings the book Rosie’s Walk to a peer and communicates, “Chicken take a walk. Fox want eat her. Oh, no!”
  - Communicates, “Baby bear mad! The girl, she eat it all. Lahat ito!” ["The baby bear is mad! The girl, she ate it all," in English; “All of it!” in Tagalog] during a teacher-guided discussion in English about The Three Little Bears, which has been read aloud and retold on several occasions with props.
  - Communicates most of the words of “Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed” and uses flannel-board pieces to show each of the monkeys falling off the bed and bumping his head.
  - Communicates to a peer, “Sharks have sharp teeth to bite, and they swim fast,” while paging through a book about the ocean.
  - Communicates, “My mommy kiss me before I come to school. She say, ‘I love you, hijito.’ Then she goes to work,” while reading The Kissing Hand with an adult. [“Hijito” is a term of endearment that is often used with young children in some South American countries.]
  - Communicates, “She sat in Papa Bear’s chair. It was enormous ["enormous" in Spanish]. She sat in Baby Bear’s chair. It was teeny and she broke it! She was really scared,” while playing with flannel-board characters in The Three Little Bears.

- Child is emerging to the next developmental level
- Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence
### Developmental Domain: ELD — English-Language Development

**ELD 4: Symbol, Letter, and Print Knowledge in English**

Child shows an increasing understanding that print in English carries meaning

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**Possible Examples**

- Points to a picture of a bird in a book after seeing or hearing a bird outside.
- Goes and gets teddy bear after seeing a picture of a bear.
- Sees a photo of mother and communicates in home language, “Mama.”
- Explores a toy teacup and tries to take a drink.

- Points to a caption written in English under a picture and asks an adult, in home language, what it says.
- Points to the printed word “flower” under a picture of a flower and says, in home language, “That says ‘flower.’”
- Gestures to the title of a book about trucks and communicates to an adult, in home language, “This book is about trucks.”
- Asks, in home language or in English mixed with home language, “What letter is this?” while pointing to the first letter of own name on cubby label.
- Communicates in English, “M,” while gesturing at a letter on a sign written in English during a neighborhood walk (the sign may or may not have the letter M).
- Gestures toward the letter O on a peer’s name tag after drawing an O in a sand tray.

**Conditional Measure**

- Measure not rated: English is the only language spoken in this child’s home.
**COG 1: Spatial Relationships**

Child increasingly shows understanding of how objects move in space or fit in different spaces.

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**Possible Examples**

- Moves hand to mouth.
- Lifts head from an adult’s shoulder.
- Stretches while lying on back.
- Turns toward an adult who enters the room.
- Watches and tracks a moving object.
- Lifts arms toward an adult as the adult reaches down to pick child up.

- Tries to squeeze body between a chair and the legs of a table to get a toy.
- Fills a purse or bucket, sometimes until it is overflowing.
- Rotates a puzzle piece that has a large knob, while trying to fit it into a space on a wooden puzzle.

- Attempts to put a star-shaped piece into the square-, triangle-, and star-shaped openings of a shape sorter.
- Repeatedly rolls various objects down a ramp.
- Changes directions to move around several obstacles while pushing a toy shopping cart.
- Uses hands to explore shape outlines in a puzzle board, and then explores puzzle pieces with hands to fit pieces into the puzzle board.

- Chooses puzzle pieces that are approximately the right size and shape to fit into a puzzle.
- Stacks a few nesting cups on top of each other to create a tower, with the largest cup on the bottom and smaller ones on top.
- Maneuvers a ride-on toy (without pedals) around people and objects on the playground, sometimes bumping into things.
- Moves around people and objects in the classroom, using a mobility aid, such as a walker.

- There are no later levels for this measure.

**Conditional Measure**

- Measure not rated: the child’s development is beyond the latest developmental level.
  (Required for children with IEPs)
## Developmental Domain: COG — Cognition, Including Math and Science

### COG 2: Classification

Child shows an increasing ability to compare, match, and sort objects into groups according to their attributes

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- **Possible Examples**
  - Smiles at a familiar adult’s face or voice.
  - Reaches for own special blanket or toy from home.
  - Turns face away from an approaching unfamiliar adult.
  - Looks for the hammer that goes with the pounding bench.
  - Looks at another child when the child's parent walks into the room.
  - Looks for baby bottle when playing with baby doll.
  - Selects the shovels from among toys in the sandbox.
  - Takes some apples out of a basket that contains apples and bananas while helping an adult prepare a snack.
  - Picks out some train cars from a box of toys.
  - Separates blocks into a blue pile and a green pile, leaving a few green blocks in the blue pile.
  - Sorts rocks into two piles, big and small, after a neighborhood walk.
  - Picks out toy trucks from a basket of toys and sets them on a nearby shelf, and then picks out toy cars from the basket and sets them on a different shelf.
  - Separates a pile of toy animals by kind (e.g., dogs, cats, and birds).
  - Puts crayons, pencils, and markers into different containers.
  - Sorts a group of big squares and little squares into two piles by using eye gaze to indicate where an adult should put each square.
  - Separates buttons by color, and then sorts all of them again by shape or size.
  - Sorts shoes based on color, and then re-sorts by type (e.g., slippers, boots, tennis shoes).
  - Sorts flannel-board pieces by type (e.g., shoes, pants, and shirts), and then separates them by adult items and baby items.
  - Separates tiles into four groups: blue circles, blue squares, red circles, and red squares.
  - Removes utensils from the play kitchen and sorts them into groups: big spoons, small spoons, big forks, and small forks.
  - Sorts the bin of interlocking blocks into several piles, first by color, then by shape (e.g., squares and rectangles).

- Child is emerging to the next developmental level
- Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence
### COG 3: Number Sense of Quantity

Child shows developing understanding of number and quantity

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<td>• Looks at objects that are hanging from a mobile.</td>
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<td>• Grasps one toy, and then lets go of it while reaching for another toy that has been introduced by a familiar adult.</td>
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COG 4: Number Sense of Math Operations
Child shows increasing ability to add and subtract small quantities of objects

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Possible Examples

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- Child is emerging to the next developmental level
- Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence

- There are no earlier levels for this measure

- Demonstrates awareness of quantity
- Manipulates objects and explores the change in the number in a group
- Demonstrates understanding that adding objects to a group makes more or that taking away objects makes fewer or less
- Identifies the new number of objects after one object is added to or removed from a set of two or three objects

- Uses counting to add or subtract one or two objects to or from a group of at least four objects
- Solves simple addition or subtraction word problems by using fingers or objects to represent numbers or by mental calculation

- **Earlier**
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- **Responding**
  - Gestures for more when playing with play dough.
  - Dumps small cars out of a bucket.
  - Communicates, “All gone,” after noticing that there is no more fruit in the bowl.

- **Exploring**
  - Puts objects in a dump truck or container, dumps them out, then puts them back in one at a time.
  - Moves toy farm animals into and outside of a toy barn while playing with the farm set.
  - Takes objects from two different piles to create a new pile by using a touchscreen tablet or computer.

- **Building**
  - Notices when another child’s bowl has more crackers than own bowl, and asks an adult to add crackers to own bowl.
  - Communicates, “Ahora tenemos más,” [“Now we have more,” in Spanish] when an adult combines markers from the shelf with some on the table.
  - Communicates, “They’re almost gone,” after taking the next-to-last unit block out of the basket.

- **Integrating**
  - Communicates, “Now we have three,” when adding a third snail to the two collected from the yard.
  - Communicates, “Only two left,” when an adult removes a broken wagon from a group of three wagons.
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### Developmental Domain: COG — Cognition, Including Math and Science

#### COG 5: Measurement
Child shows an increasing understanding of measurable properties such as size, length, weight, and capacity (volume), and how to quantify those properties

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#### Possible Examples

- **Responding**
  - Gestures by holding one hand high in the air to indicate that an adult is tall.
  - Positions arms and legs far apart to “catch” a big ball while sitting on the floor.
  - Finds the big doll when asked to do so.
  - Grunts before picking up an object that might be heavy.

- **Exploring**
  - Makes repeated attempts to put different-sized trucks into a small tunnel.
  - Carries an empty purse with one hand, fills the purse with blocks, and then uses both hands to pick up the purse.
  - Pours water or sand back and forth between containers of different sizes.
  - Gestures to indicate how big the family dog is, when asked.
  - Communicates, “This pumpkin is so heavy.”
  - Communicates, “My braid goes down my back. It’s long.”

- **Building**
  - Communicates, “Este es más largo,” [“This one is longer,” in Spanish] when placing train tracks side by side to check which is longer.
  - Chooses the bigger of two buckets when asked to bring the one that will hold more water.
  - Communicates, “Mine is taller,” when building a block tower next to a peer’s block tower.
  - Arranges several leaves by size while outside on the playground.
  - Arranges five shapes on an electronic tablet from small to large by touching and dragging.
  - Puts four different objects on a balance scale, then lines them up from lightest to heaviest.

- **Integrating**
  - Fills a measuring cup twice to add two cups of oatmeal during a cooking activity.
  - Uses a balance scale to find out which of two fruits is heavier.
  - Uses footsteps to measure the length of a rug and communicates, “This rug is 10 steps long!”

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Possible Examples

- Child is not yet at the earliest developmental level on this measure
- Child is emerging to the next developmental level
- Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence
### Developmental Domain: COG — Cognition, Including Math and Science

**COG 6: Patterning**

Child shows an increasing ability to recognize, reproduce, and create patterns of varying complexity

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**Possible Examples**

- Watches intently and waves hands while adult sings “Open, shut them” song.
- Watches another child hit drum twice, followed by adult hitting the drum twice.
- Pays attention to and attempts to follow the sequence as an adult claps, taps, claps, and taps.
- Follows snack-time routines with reminders to wash hands, go to the snack area, and sit at a table.
- Sings “E-I-E-I-O” and some animal sounds during the song “Old MacDonald’s Farm.”
- Lines up farm animals in the same order as a peer does.
- Repeats series of actions of touching head, shoulders, knees, and toes during the song “Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes.”
- Repeats the refrain, “Brown bear, brown bear, what do you see?” as an adult reads from the book Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?
- Creates a simple repeating pattern using two different stamps, such as circle, star, circle, star.
- Claps, stomps, and then repeats.
- Paints pairs of green and yellow dots, making a pattern of two green, two yellow, two green, two yellow (numbers of dots may not be consistent).
- Continues a simple repeating pattern of drumbeats, started by an adult.
- Builds a fence out of blocks, continuing the pattern begun by a peer: tall block, short block, tall block, short block.
- Extends a simple repeating pattern of colors on a computer, using a touch screen.
- Adds cubes to continue red-yellow-blue pattern.
- Makes up a rhythmic sequence by clapping, patting, and stomping.
- Makes a fruit kebab in a repeating sequence of banana, strawberry, blueberry, banana, strawberry, blueberry, like a fruit kebab that another child is eating.

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### COG 7: Shapes

**Developmental Domain:** COG — Cognition, Including Math and Science

**COG 7: Shapes**

Child shows an increasing knowledge of shapes and their characteristics

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#### Possible Examples

- **Explores shapes of objects**
  - Feels along the edges of a triangle.
  - Puts one or two rings on a ring stack.
  - Takes out a puzzle piece with a knob and tries to fit it back into a hole of the puzzle, before setting it back down on the table.
  - Moves along a line of a circle painted on the pavement in an outdoor play area.

- **Manipulates objects based on shape**
  - Puts a square-shaped puzzle piece into the correct hole of a form board.
  - Tries a variety of solutions to fit lids on boxes and other containers.
  - Puts a circle piece into the correct hole of a shape sorter.

- **Matches similar shapes and distinguishes them from dissimilar shapes without necessarily naming them**
  - Places different-shaped blocks on shelves labeled with matching shapes.
  - Uses ink stamps to make a row of circles and a row of squares.
  - Chooses blocks of the same shape to build a tower with a peer.

- **Identifies or names several shapes in the environment (e.g., circles, squares, triangles)**
  - Points to a clock in the room when asked to find a circle during an "I Spy a Shape" game.
  - Communicates, “Ahora haré el triángulo,” ("Next, I’ll do the triangle," in Spanish) after placing a square in a puzzle.
  - Communicates, “My sandwich is a square,” while holding up a sandwich at lunch.
  - Names “square,” “circle,” and “triangle" after exploring each shape piece with hands.

- **Recognizes shapes when they are presented in different orientations or as parts of other objects**
  - Finds embedded shapes in a picture book, such as Bear in a Square.
  - Communicates that the face in a figure drawing is a circle.
  - Communicates, “It’s an upside-down triangle,” after noticing a yield sign.
  - Communicates that two sides of a rectangle are longer, but the sides of a square are all the same.

- **Describes several shapes and the differences between them**
  - Communicates, “This one has a pointy part. This one is curvy,” when examining a triangle and a circle.
  - Communicates that a triangle has three sides and a square has four sides.
  - Communicates that two sides of a rectangle are longer, but the sides of a square are all the same.

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#### Ratings

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### PD-HLTH 1: Perceptual-Motor Skills and Movement Concepts

Child moves body and interacts with the environment, demonstrating increasing awareness of own physical effort, body awareness, spatial awareness, and directional awareness.

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- **Responds to sensory information or input (e.g., visual, auditory, tactile) with basic movements of body parts**
- **Responds to sensory information by moving body or limbs to reach for or move toward people or objects**
- **Uses sensory information to control body while exploring people, objects, or changes in the physical environment**
- **Demonstrates awareness of major body parts by exploring their movement potential**
- **Tries different ways to coordinate movements of large or small body parts**
- **Adjusts, with adult guidance, aspects of movement (e.g., effort, spatial, directional) in relation to people and objects**
- **Anticipates and then adjusts, on own, aspects of movement (e.g., effort, spatial, directional) during new activities, in changed environments, or on different surfaces**

#### Possible Examples

- **Responds to sensory information or input (e.g., visual, auditory, tactile) with basic movements of body parts**
  - Moves toward a familiar adult while being picked up.
  - Quiets in response to an adult singing.
  - Responds to being touched on the cheek.

- **Responds to sensory information by moving body or limbs to reach for or move toward people or objects**
  - Shifts body to stabilize it, in order to reach up toward an adult's face while sitting on the adult's lap.
  - Repositions body in order to manipulate levers and buttons on a busy box.
  - Gazes at, then reaches toward, glasses on someone's face.

- **Uses sensory information to control body while exploring people, objects, or changes in the physical environment**
  - Participates in songs or games requiring movement of specific body parts.
  - Moves arm up and down, with increasing momentum, to shake bells louder.
  - Uses arms to push against a container of wooden blocks that does not move, then leans body forward to push harder.

- **Demonstrates awareness of major body parts by exploring their movement potential**
  - Changes movements when dancing with scarves.
  - Starts and stops movements of different body parts during a freeze-dance game.
  - Moves over, under, around, and through large objects in an obstacle course, sometimes bumping them.

- **Tries different ways to coordinate movements of large or small body parts**
  - Avoids bumping into orange cones on a path for wheel toys by moving around them, after an adult points to the cones.
  - Raises knees high when following an adult marching.
  - Moves away from a nearby child after an adult communicates, “Make sure you have enough room to stretch without bumping your neighbor.”

- **Adjusts, with adult guidance, aspects of movement (e.g., effort, spatial, directional) in relation to people and objects**
  - Changes pathway of movement from straight to curved or zigzag when following another child during a game of follow the leader.
  - Pedals a wheel toy harder to go faster when catching up to another child on a wheel toy.
  - Uses feet to slow self when coming down a ramp.

- **Anticipates and then adjusts, on own, aspects of movement (e.g., effort, spatial, directional) during new activities, in changed environments, or on different surfaces**
  - Moves other wheel toys closer together to make room for a new wheel toy when putting it away during outdoor play.
  - Tries several different ways to move through sections of a new obstacle course.
  - Walks carefully after slipping on wet leaves or grass during a nature walk.

### Child is emerging to the next developmental level

### Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence
### Developmental Domain: PD-HLTH — Physical Development–Health

**PD-HLTH 2: Gross Locomotor Movement Skills**

Child shows increasing proficiency in fundamental locomotor skills (e.g., rolling, crawling, cruising, walking, running, jumping, galloping)

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<td>Moves two or more body parts together, often with intention</td>
<td>Coordinates movements of body parts to move whole body, such as creeping, crawling, or scooting on bottom</td>
<td>Coordinates movement of whole body while upright, using support</td>
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**Possible Examples**

- **Responding**
  - Turns head in response to stimulation or nourishment.
  - Turns head to seek source of stimulation or nourishment.
  - Responds involuntarily to a sudden loud noise or movement by extending arms and legs.

- **Exploring**
  - Turns head and reaches for a toy.
  - Kicks at a mobile when lying on back.
  - Rolls from stomach to back or from back to stomach.
  - Creeps or crawls toward a familiar adult.
  - Moves from lying down to a sitting position.
  - Moves by rolling body on the floor.
  - Moves by using arms to pull self forward.
  - Takes steps sideways or forward while holding onto furniture.
  - Walks forward steadily while pushing a cube chair.
  - Pulls up to a standing position while grasping an adult’s hands.
  - Stands up with support of a mobility aid, such as a walker.
  - Walks forward with a wide base (legs farther apart) and arms held high.
  - Stands up from squatting, unassisted, after picking up a toy.
  - Walks with one object in each hand.
  - Moves by rolling body on the floor.
  - Moves by using arms to pull self forward.

- **Building**
  - Walks forward evenly with arms and legs.
  - Moves from lying down to a sitting position.
  - Moves by rolling body on the floor.
  - Moves by using arms to pull self forward.
  - Takes steps sideways or forward while holding onto furniture.
  - Walks forward steadily while pushing a cube chair.
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  - Walks with one object in each hand.
  - Moves by rolling body on the floor.
  - Moves by using arms to pull self forward.

- **Integrating**
  - Runs with short strides, and sometimes has difficulty stopping.
  - Moves along a low balance beam or along the side of a curb, stepping sideways.
  - Navigates changes in surface and direction, using a mobility aid, such as a walker.
  - Runs with one object in each hand.
  - Moves by rolling body on the floor.
  - Moves by using arms to pull self forward.

**Mark the latest developmental level the child has mastered:**

- ○ Child is emerging to the next developmental level
- ○ Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence
### Developmental Domain: PD-HLTH — Physical Development–Health

#### PD-HLTH 3: Gross Motor Manipulative Skills

Child shows increasing proficiency in gross motor manipulative skills (e.g., reaching, kicking, grasping, throwing, and catching)

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#### Moves in basic and often involuntary ways

- **Responding**
  - Kicks legs.
  - Extends arm.
  - Flexes foot.

- **Exploring**
  - Uses arms, legs, or body to move toward or reach for people or objects.
  - Uses arms, legs, or body to engage in simple, repeated actions on objects.
  - Uses arms, legs, or body in various ways to manipulate objects, while in positions such as sitting, moving on all fours, or upright.
  - Manipulates objects, using one or more body parts, with limited stability.
  - manipulates objects, using one or more body parts, with stability but limited coordination.

- **Building**
  - Uses two or more movements sequentially to manipulate objects, sometimes pausing briefly between movements.
  - Coordinates arms, legs, or body to manipulate objects, with connected sequential or simultaneous movements.

- **Integrating**
  - Applies a variety of manipulative skills, in combination with locomotor skills, in different physical activities.

#### Possible Examples

- **Responding**
  - Kicks against a nearby object.
  - Rolls onto side, toward an object, while lying on a blanket.
  - Reaches toward a familiar adult, using both arms.

- **Exploring**
  - Moves in basic and often involuntary ways
  - Koddlers often kick or push objects.
  - Toddlers may clap their hands, turn a wheel, or spin a ball.
  - Preschoolers may use their hands to grasp, hold, and manipulate objects.

- **Building**
  - Toddlers may use their hands to grasp, hold, and manipulate objects.
  - Preschoolers may use their hands to grasp, hold, and manipulate objects.
  - Infants may use their hands to grasp, hold, and manipulate objects.

- **Integrating**
  - Toddlers may use their hands to grasp, hold, and manipulate objects.
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## Developmental Domain: PD-HLTH — Physical Development–Health

### PD-HLTH 4: Fine Motor Manipulative Skills
Child demonstrates increasing precision, strength, coordination, and efficiency when using muscles of the hand for play and functional tasks*

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<td>Moves arms or hands in basic ways</td>
<td>Uses arms or hands to make contact with objects in the environment</td>
<td>Grasps objects with entire hand</td>
<td>Explores ways to use one hand, or to use both hands doing the same movements, to manipulate objects</td>
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<td>Grasps objects with fingers and thumb</td>
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<td>• Curls fingers around an adult’s finger.</td>
<td>• Holds a stuffed toy against body.</td>
<td>• Holds a spoon, using thumb and fingers.</td>
<td>• Holds play dough with one hand while cutting it with a wooden knife.</td>
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<td>• Brings fist to mouth.</td>
<td>• Pulls an object closer, using a raking motion.</td>
<td>• Pinches cereal pieces between finger and thumb.</td>
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<td>• Makes small movements of arms and hands near the sides of body.</td>
<td>• Holds a stacking ring with full fist.</td>
<td>• Picks up a stacking ring, using fingers and thumb.</td>
<td>• Steadies a container of block accessories on lap while picking out the tree-shaped blocks.</td>
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<td>• Holds a spoon with full fist while being fed by an adult with another spoon.</td>
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<td>• Scoops sand into a container with one hand while holding the container with other hand.</td>
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<td>• Grasps and turns a doorknob, but may not have strength or coordination to open the door.</td>
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<td>• Pushes a cord through a large bead, using one hand, while moving the bead onto the cord with the other hand.</td>
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<td>• Peels a banana or orange after adult starts the peel.</td>
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<td>• Unfastens buckle on chest strap of wheelchair.</td>
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<td>• Fastens snaps on pants made of thicker, stiffer materials, such as denim jeans.</td>
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<td>• Takes a cap off of a marker by twisting with one hand, then pulling with both hands in opposite directions.</td>
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<td>• Starts the peel on a banana or mandarin orange.</td>
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<td>• Makes a necklace by stringing a variety of small beads with narrow holes.</td>
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<td>• Rotates pencil within the hand to use the eraser when scribbling with a pencil.</td>
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<td>• Uses scissors to cut more challenging materials such as fabric or cardstock during an art activity.</td>
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*Children who do not have use of one or both hands may still be rated as demonstrating mastery at a level if they can accomplish the functional intent of the descriptor using other body parts, or prosthetic devices.*
**PD-HLTH 5: Safety**  
Child shows awareness of safety and increasingly demonstrates knowledge of safety skills when participating in daily activities*

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#### Possible Examples

- **Responding**
  - Reacts to unpleasant stimulation or events in basic ways
  - Seeks to make contact with familiar adult

- **Exploring**
  - Responds to situations that make child feel unsafe
  - Follows adults' guidance about basic safety practices

- **Building**
  - Follows basic safety practices, with close adult supervision
  - Applies basic safety practices on own in familiar environments, with occasional adult reminders

- **Integrating**
  - Follows basic safety practices on own across different situations
  - Communicates an understanding of some safety practices to others

#### Safe Behaviors

- Turns away from a loud noise.
- Closes eyes in response to a bright light.
- Cries when touched by a cold washcloth.
- Turns away from an unfamiliar adult after the adult's grip loosens while child is being carried.
- Seeks comfort after falling down.
- Stays behind the boundaries set up by adults to designate the swing-set area.
- Follows classroom safety rules when using scissors, such as holding scissors with blade pointed down.
- Stays behind the boundaries set up by adults to designate the swing-set area.
- Holds out arm to stop a peer from walking through a spill on the floor.
- Communicates, “Slow down! No running inside!” to a peer.
- Cleans up spills during a cooking activity.
- Waits turn to climb ladder on outside play equipment, with an adult reminder.
- Stays behind the boundaries set up by adults to designate the swing-set area.
- Explains, “I wait for the walk sign and hold my mom's hand before I cross the street.”

#### Conditional Measure

- **Conditional Measure**
  - Measure not rated: this measure is not used for documenting progress or planning this child’s learning activities and supports. (Required for children with IEPs)

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* *Children at the Building Later and Integrating Earlier levels still need adult supervision to carry out safety practices on their own.*
## Developmental Domain: PD-HLTH — Physical Development—Health

### PD-HLTH 6: Personal Care Routines: Hygiene

Child increasingly responds to and initiates personal care routines that support hygiene

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**Possible Examples**

- **Responding**
  - Responds in basic ways during personal care routines that involve hygiene
  - Responds in ways that demonstrate awareness of a hygiene routine

- **Exploring**
  - Anticipates one or two steps of a hygiene routine
  - Participates in own hygiene routines, with an adult

- **Building**
  - Carries out some steps of own hygiene routines, with specific adult guidance or demonstration
  - Carries out most steps of familiar hygiene routines, with occasional reminders of when or how to do them

- **Integrating**
  - Initiates and carries out most steps of familiar hygiene routines on own
  - Initiates and completes familiar hygiene routines on own

**Possible Examples**

- **Responding**
  - Looks at an adult’s face, or quiets, during a diaper change.
  - Closes eyes when face is washed.
  - Kicks legs during a diaper change.

- **Exploring**
  - Attends to an adult’s actions during diapering routine.
  - Grabs for the washcloth as an adult washes child’s face.
  - Shows excitement during bathtime.
  - Pulls at diaper or pants when diaper needs to be changed.
  - Puts hands under a faucet before an adult starts to turn on the water.
  - Turns head toward or away from a tissue when an adult tries to wipe child’s nose.
  - Communicates to an adult the need for help with toileting or for a diaper change.
  - Rubs hands together under a faucet after an adult turns the water on.
  - Tries to blow nose into a tissue held by an adult.
  - Lines up at sink to wash hands before lunch time.

- **Building**
  - Uses toilet (pulls down pants, sits, etc.), but may need an adult’s assistance with wiping.
  - Uses the toilet on own, and flushes after adult reminder.
  - Washes and partially dries hands, and then dries them completely when suggested to by an adult.
  - Takes toothbrush after an adult puts on toothpaste, begins to brush teeth, but needs to be reminded to brush teeth in the back of the mouth.

- **Integrating**
  - Uses toilet on own, sometimes forgetting to do one step, such as washing hands.
  - Washes hands before eating and usually remembers to use soap.
  - Uses toothbrush on own, completing all steps, including washing hands.
  - Coughs and sneezes into elbow most of the time.
  - Goes to brush teeth after lunch, brushes teeth, and puts away toothbrush on own.

○ Child is emerging to the next developmental level
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**Personal Care Routines: Hygiene**

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**PD-HLTH 7: Personal Care Routines: Feeding**
Child responds to feeding and feeds self with increasing proficiency

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- **Responding**
  - Responds in basic ways during feeding
  - Shows interest in participating in the process of being fed

- **Exploring**
  - Feeds self some finger food items
  - Feeds self some foods using a spoon and cup, sometimes needing help

- **Building**
  - Feeds self a wide variety of foods using a spoon, fork, and an open cup
  - Serves self or others by scooping or pouring from containers

- **Integrating**
  - Prepares simple foods to serve to self or others

**Possible Examples**
- Turns toward an adult’s touch during feeding.
- Sucks on the nipple of a bottle or breast.
- Gazes at or nuzzles up to an adult when feeding.
- Closes lips around food on a spoon.
- Puts one or both hands on a bottle or breast while being held during feeding.
- Holds and bites a banana.
- Picks up and eats crackers from a tray.
- Eats soft food, such as yogurt or applesauce, from a bowl, using a spoon, with adult sometimes assisting with scooping.
- Drinks from a cup while an adult guides the cup.
- Uses a child-sized fork to pierce food.
- Drinks water from a small open cup.
- Uses adaptive utensils to feed self a meal when positioned functionally.
- Serves self from a serving bowl, using a large spoon, while someone else holds the bowl.
- Pours from a small pitcher, with some spilling.
- Uses a scoop to fill small bowls with cereal for snack time.
- Spreads jelly on bread with a small spatula to make a sandwich.
- Cuts foods with a small plastic knife.
- Takes the shell off of a hard-boiled egg.

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- Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence

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### Developmental Domain: PD-HLTH — Physical Development–Health

#### PD-HLTH 8: Personal Care Routines: Dressing

Child develops and refines ability to participate in and take responsibility for dressing self

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<td>- Cries or fusses when diaper is changed.</td>
<td>- Shakes body as an adult puts a clean diaper on child.</td>
<td>- Extends arms out when an adult approaches with a jacket.</td>
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<td>- Looks at adult while being dressed.</td>
<td>- Squirms to avoid having shirt being pulled over the head while being dressed.</td>
<td>- Leans toward an adult while a shirt is being put on child.</td>
<td>- Puts on own jacket as an adult holds it open or lays it out.</td>
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<td>- Blinks eyes as clothing is placed over head.</td>
<td>- Allows an adult to move child’s arms while removing child’s jacket.</td>
<td>- Sits down and extends feet for an adult to put shoes on child.</td>
<td>- Slips foot into shoe while an adult holds it open.</td>
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### Developmental Domain: PD-HLTH — Physical Development–Health

#### PD-HLTH 9: Active Physical Play

Child engages in physical activities with increasing endurance and intensity*.

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<td>Engages in active physical play for short periods of time</td>
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* Intensity of active physical play and amount of strength required to engage in the activity will vary greatly from child to child. When observing a child, it is important to consider the child’s capacity for engaging in vigorous active physical play, in which a child’s heart is beating faster and the child is breathing harder than is typical for the child when engaged in daily activities or routines.

- ○ Child is not yet at the earliest developmental level on this measure
- ○ Child is emerging to the next developmental level
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### Developmental Domain: PD-HLTH — Physical Development–Health

**PD-HLTH 10: Nutrition**  
Child demonstrates increasing knowledge about nutrition and healthful food choices

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#### Possible Examples

- **Responding**
  - Selects a banana when offered choice between a banana and a cracker.
  - Selects applesauce when offered a choice between applesauce and yogurt.
  - Points or gestures towards milk when offered a choice between water and milk.

- **Exploring**
  - Accepts a variety of foods offered from a serving plate.
  - Explores unfamiliar foods that are placed on a plate.
  - Observes others’ reactions when they eat food items that are unfamiliar to child.

- **Building**
  - Communicates, “Me gustan las bananas y las manzanas,” [*I like bananas and apples,* in Spanish] when selecting bananas and apples from a plate of sliced fruit.
  - Identifies several pretend food items when playing restaurant with a peer.
  - Makes different pretend food items, such as a tortilla and a pizza, with play dough.

- **Integrating**
  - Communicates, “This rice is sticky.”
  - Communicates, “I like mangos. They’re sweet.”
  - Communicates, during pretend play, “First we eat vegetables, and later we can have dessert.”
  - Chooses primarily pictures of fruits and vegetables to create a collage of healthful foods.
  - Chooses to drink water instead of lemonade during snack time.

- **Communicates**
  - Tells a peer, “Milk is good for my teeth.”
  - Brings pretend soup to a peer who is pretending to be ill, to make the peer feel better.
  - Communicates, “Sabi ng mama ko ay lalaki ako at lalakas kung kakain ako ng beans,” [*My mama said that I will grow big and strong if I eat my beans,* in Tagalog].
  - Communicates, “Broccoli is good for you,” when eating broccoli.
Glossary of Terms and Phrases Used in the DRDP (2015)

**Assemblage:** An artistic composition made from scraps, junk, or odds and ends.
Appears in VPA 1: Visual Art

**Investigates/Investigation:** In the process of scientific inquiry, asking a question and conducting systematic observations or simple experiments to find an answer.
Appears in:
COG 9: Inquiry Through Observation and Investigation
COG 10: Documentation and Communication of Inquiry

**Locomotor Skills:** The ability to project the body into or through space.
Appears in:
PD-HLTH 2: Gross Locomotor Movement Skills
PD-HLTH 3: Gross Motor Manipulative Skills

**Manipulative Skills:** Also known as object-control skills in which the arms, hands, legs, and feet are used to give force to an object (for example, throwing a ball) or to receive and absorb the force from an object (for example, catching a ball).
Appears in PD-HLTH 3: Gross Motor Manipulative Skills

**Observes / Observation:** Gathering information about objects and events by using the senses of sight, smell, sound, touch, and taste and noticing specific details or phenomena that ordinarily might be overlooked.
Appears in:
COG 9: Inquiry Through Observation and Investigation
COG 10: Documentation and Communication of Inquiry

**Onset:** The first consonant or consonant cluster in a syllable (e.g., the h in the one-syllable word hat; the m and k in the two syllables in the word monkey.
Appears in LLD 8: Phonological Awareness

**Rime:** A linguistic term that refers to the portion of a syllable that starts with a vowel. In the word big, the rime unit is /ig/. In the word bring, the rime unit is /ing/.
Appears in LLD 8: Phonological Awareness
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## Appendix A:
### Requirements of the DRDP (2015) Assessment

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<td>• The Fundamental View will be submitted to CASEMIS. The Comprehensive View is available for special educators as an instructional resource.</td>
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<td>• Program administrators will determine which Preschool View will be utilized.</td>
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<td>• Programs should use the same Preschool View for at least one school year in order to measure progress.</td>
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<td>• All infants, toddlers and preschool age children receiving care in direct service programs, and other programs choosing to use a developmental assessment. If a child receives services for less than ten hours per week, a DRDP assessment is not required.</td>
<td>Child assessments are completed within the first 60 days of enrollment and then at six month intervals thereafter.</td>
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<td>• All infants and toddlers with Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSPs) who are reported in the CASEMIS system. All preschool-age children (3 - 5-year-olds not enrolled in transitional kindergarten or kindergarten) who have Individualized Education Programs (IEPs). To be included in the fall assessment, children must begin services before October 1. To be included in the spring assessment, children must begin services before March 1.</td>
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<td>• All children are assessed with the DRDP (2015):</td>
<td>Submit data files to CDE/SED in one of two ways:</td>
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<td>o Children birth to three years of age are assessed with the Infant/toddler View</td>
<td>• Into the SELPA’s MIS that will upload to CASEMIS</td>
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<td>o Children three to five years of age are assessed with the Preschool View</td>
<td>• Into the DRAccessReports secure data system to prepare data for SELPA upload to CASEMIS</td>
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<td>• Assessment should be conducted at six month intervals. Check with local administrators as to how, when, and to whom DRDP data will be submitted.</td>
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<td>Assessment data is input to DRDPtech for secure data storage and to obtain psychometrically valid reports.</td>
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The DRDP (2015) will be administered in both the California Department of Education’s Early Education and Support Division (EESD) programs and in Special Education Division (SED) early intervention and preschool programs. This table provides information about which children are assessed; and when, how, and where to submit the results of the DRDP (2015).

For more information:
- For CDE-funded Early Education programs: www.cde.ca.gov/sp/cd/
- For CDE-funded Special Education programs: www.cde.ca.gov/sp/se/
- For EESD Training and Technical Assistance: Desired Results for Children and Families Project www.desiredresults.us
- For SED Training and Technical Assistance: Desired Results Access Project www.draccess.org
Appendix B:
Resources for Assessing Children who are Dual Language Learners with the DRDP (2015)

The DRDP (2015) takes into consideration the specific cultural and linguistic characteristics of California's diverse population of young children, with specific consideration for children who are young dual language learners. The introduction in the DRDP (2015) Assessment Manual provides information on completing the assessment with young children who are dual language learners. Keep in mind that young dual language learners may demonstrate knowledge and skills in their home language, in English, or in both languages. Communication in all languages the child uses should be considered when collecting documentation and completing the measures in all domains of the DRDP (2015).

The following resources will increase your knowledge and help you better complete the DRDP (2015) for young children who are dual language learners.

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<th>From the California Department of Education</th>
<th>California's Best Practices for Young Dual Language Learners: Research Overview Papers</th>
<th>Two papers in this series are particularly relevant: “Assessment of Young Dual Language Learners in Preschool” focuses on the need for accurate and valid assessment of young dual language learners. It includes a decision tree for practitioners to determine in which language to assess young DLLs, a matrix of language and literacy assessment for use with preschool-age children, and a sample family interview protocol to learn about families’ language practices. “Early Intervention and Young Dual Language Learners with Special Needs” addresses the language development of young dual language learners with special needs and key considerations when choosing the language for intervention.</th>
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<td>California Department of Education web pages:</td>
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<td>desiredresults.us/dll/index.html</td>
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<td>Assessing Children with Disabilities who are Dual Language Learners</td>
<td>This document provides guidance in assessing children with disabilities from linguistically diverse backgrounds with the DRDP (2015) including information on second language acquisition in young children, suggestions for communicating with children who are English Learners, and information about cultural influences on learning.</td>
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<td>Gathering and Using Language: Information that Families Share</td>
<td>One-third of the children in Early Head Start and Head Start are Dual Language Learners (DLLs). Recent research provides insights into dual language development and key ways to support children's progress.</td>
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<td>Code Switching: Why It Matters and How to Respond (Workbook for Early Head Start/Head Start Programs)</td>
<td>This easy to use workbook defines and describes code switching. It identifies which children code switch and explains why code switching matters. It also includes numerous examples of how adults can provide strong language models for children when they code switch.</td>
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<td>Enhancing Young Hispanic Dual Language Learners’ Achievement: Exploring Strategies and Addressing Challenges</td>
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Appendix C: Strategies for Observation and Documentation

The DRDP (2015) is administered through observation in natural settings by teachers and other service providers in the classroom or center and by family members in home and community settings. Observations are embedded into typical, ongoing routines and activities throughout the day. The process of observation requires planning in advance on the part of teachers and service providers. As you review the measures of the DRDP (2015), consider specific routines or activities during the day where you would be able to observe more than one measure or more than one child.

Strategies for Effective Observation
Observation should be ongoing throughout the year. The assessment windows for the DRDP (2015) provide a period of time to make sure teachers and service providers have sufficient documentation for each of the measures in time to submit DRDP data. To rate a child’s behavior, teachers and service providers should use naturalistic, or authentic, observation strategies. Below are several key points to support naturalistic observations. You will find additional information about naturalistic assessment by viewing the short video, What is Authentic Assessment at draccess.org/guidancefordrdp. Many observation and documentation job aids can be found at desiredresults.us/teachers. You will also find a training DVD, Getting to know You Through Observation, at desiredresults.us/observation-resources that can be used by EESD and other administrators to train staff.

Strategies for Effective Documentation
A variety of methods are available for recording information gathered through naturalistic observations, including:

- **Anecdotal Records** – An anecdotal record is a written note about what a child does or says during a typical or routine activity. Anecdotal records result in brief descriptions of the behavior observed.

- **Event recording (tallies)** – In event recording, the observer records each instance of the behavior being observed so that an indication of frequency is obtained. Usually this is done with tally marks but may also be recorded using a code such as “+” for correct and “−” for incorrect.

- **Checklists** – Checklists are lists of specific skills or behaviors that can be used during observation to check off the behaviors observed with a group of children.

- **Rating Scales or Rubrics** – Rating scales and rubrics are similar to checklists in that they include lists of behaviors but they also include additional descriptive information about the behavior such as how well, how frequently or how independently the behavior occurred.

- **Work Samples** – Documentation can also include the collection of 2- or 3-dimensional products that children have produced such as drawings, writing on paper or 3-dimensional constructions the child has made for example with play dough or other materials.

- **Videos or Photographs** – Cameras can be used to document observed behaviors of children through videos or still photographs.

Information on strategies for implementing the above documentation strategies can be found at: eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hsil/tta-system/teaching/practice/iss-library.html

10 Strategies for Naturalistic Observation

**Know the instrument** – Be familiar with the instrument, including the domains and measures being observed.

**Observe naturally** – Observe the child in the context of typical routines and activities, interacting with familiar people, in familiar places, and with familiar materials.

**Observe objectively** – Focus on what the child does. Be as objective and detailed as possible. Avoid using labels, qualitative descriptors, or stereotypic expectations that may bias your observations.

**Observe strategically** – Observe for skills that correspond to the DRDP measures and record your observations. You may be able to gather information on more than one measure during one observation.

**Observe daily or routinely** – When observations are part of the daily routines, children become accustomed to being observed and seeing notes being recorded.

**Observe variety and consistency** – Be aware of a child’s overall performance, even when focusing on a single aspect of behavior. Observe the child over time and during different routines and activities.

**Be specific and complete** – Intentionally and purposefully record the specific details of what you actually observe as soon as possible. Details are important and might be easily forgotten.

**Plan ahead** – Plan for observations as part of weekly lesson planning. Plan to observe during activities that do not require your full assistance or plan for someone else to observe and document.

**Allow time** – Allow adequate time for the child to complete any task that he or she is engaged in even if it requires more time than one might expect.

**Use appropriate adaptations** – Ensure that appropriate adaptations as determined by the IFSP or IEP team are in place when observing the child.
Consider the following for planning and collecting documentation:

- Choose methods of documentation that can be embedded into a program's environment, structure, and routines.
- Plan ahead for materials needed for documentation such as sticky notes or pre-printed labels with children's names for anecdotal records or clipboards with checklists or rubrics. Materials should be strategically located throughout the classroom.
- Observe children's behaviors throughout the day and record documentation while observing.
- Date each piece of evidence for future reference.
- Collect documentation over time. Documentation over time strengthens the validity of ratings.
- Organize the documentation collected immediately after collecting it.
- Keep assessment information confidential. Store the DRDP materials, including notes, in a secure location to ensure confidentiality for each child.

Organizing Documentation

Portfolios: Portfolios are a helpful way of organizing information. EESD programs are required to use a form of portfolio to organize documentation. Portfolios may contain anecdotal notes, children's work samples, photos of children's activities, audio or video recordings, and transcripts of the child's language. The portfolio methods selected should work well for the program.

Electronic Portfolios: If notes are entered into a computer, an electronic portfolio can be produced to summarize the evidence. Please check with a local administrator for procedures regarding consent for photography and video.

Collaboration to Support Effective Documentation

A central goal for teachers and service providers who use the DRDP (2015) is to obtain measures of the child's developmental progress based on typical day-to-day behaviors. It is difficult to imagine one individual having access to all of the many learning opportunities that a child encounters throughout each day. Therefore, it is very helpful to seek input from individuals who have ongoing contact and who know the child well in order to obtain the most complete and accurate picture of the child's skills and abilities. It is important to consider how and when collaborating with others will support and help to inform the accurate rating of measures for the DRDP (2015).

Although direct observation of a child is the primary method used to inform ratings, other sources of evidence should be used to supplement observations. Gathering information from others who know the child well such as family members, caregivers, or other service providers often provides a wealth of additional information about a child's skills, knowledge, and behaviors. This also provides the additional benefit of observations across different settings. There are numerous ways that others can collaborate in sharing information such as written observations, conversations that focus on a child's development, or viewing short videos or recordings that illustrate a child's behavior in typical routines and activities.

Planning ahead can make the process of collaboration more helpful. Identify early on in your relationship with the child's family, who else might provide helpful information to assist in documenting their child's development. Make sure that the family is well informed about the purpose of the DRDP (2015) and the important role that they can play in sharing their observations about their child. With the family's permission, communicate with other individuals who know the child and strategize with them how they might be able to share information with you.

Communication is key to successful collaboration. For a more detailed look at collaboration and the assessment process please refer to Appendix F.
Appendix D:
Comprehensive Definitions of Adaptations to be Used with the DRDP (2015)

Adaptations are changes in the environment or differences in observed behavior that allow children with Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSPs) or Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) to demonstrate their knowledge and skills in their typical environments. Adaptations that are in place for the child during the normal course of the day should also be in place during observations for the DRDP (2015). New adaptations should not be introduced solely for the purpose of conducting an assessment. Seven broad categories of adaptations are used with the DRDP (2015). This is the same system of adaptations developed for and used in the DRDP access.

1. Augmentative or Alternative Communication Systems

Augmentative and alternative communication systems are methods of communication other than speech that allow a child who is unable to use spoken language to communicate with others. An augmentative communication system is used to augment or facilitate the development of speech. An alternative communication system is used in place of speech. Some examples include sign language, picture cards, and electronic communication devices. Assessors should use these systems as part of the observation of a child using language in a natural context. Assessors should not just elicit responses or contrive adult-directed situations.

If American Sign Language is the child’s primary language, it is designated as the home language, and not an adaptation. If sign language is used as a bridge to learning verbal language, then it is considered an adaptation.

2. Alternative Modes for Written Language

Alternative Modes for Written language are methods of producing written language used by a child who cannot see well enough or cannot hold and manipulate a writing utensil well enough to produce written symbols. If a child cannot see or cannot hold a pencil or marker, this adaptation may be used to assist in reading or writing, or emergent reading or writing. Examples of this adaptation include using a Braillewriter, keyboard, or computer.

Naturally, preschool-age children are not proficient at reading and writing. This adaptation allows for children to explore reading and writing and develop their skills in a developmentally appropriate manner.

3. Visual Support

Visual supports are adjustments to the environment that facilitate a child's ability to see or to understand the surrounding environment or events. Acceptable visual supports include:

- Adjustments in contrast
- Adjustments in lighting
- Distance from objects
- Increased size of materials
- Verbal description of events

4. Assistive Equipment or Devices

Assistive equipment or devices are tools that make it possible or easier for a child to perform a task. The child should be familiar with the use of the device. Any type of adaptive equipment or assistive device that the child needs for mobility, positioning or manipulating objects is acceptable, including:

- Walkers
- Standers

5. Functional Positioning

Functional positioning enables postural support that allows a child to have increased control of his body. It is important that positioning devices are available to the child across settings so that the child may access daily routines and activities and so they may be observed in a variety of activities. Some examples include:

- Standers
- Cube chairs
- Tricycles with seat belts and built-up pedals

6. Sensory Support

Sensory support includes either increasing or decreasing sensory input to facilitate a child's attention and interactions in the environment. Some children may need increased sensory input and others may need decreased input. Some children require different types of sensory support in different activities. Sensory support may include:

- Reducing background noise
- Adjusting tactile stimulation
- Adjusting visual stimulation

7. Alternative Response Mode

Using alternative response modes means recognizing that a child might demonstrate mastery of a skill in a way that differs from a typically developing child. For this adaptation, the environment is not modified as in the other adaptations. Rather, the child's unique yet consistent responses that may indicate the presence of a skill are identified. For example, the child with autism may look out of the corner of his or her eye instead of establishing direct eye contact, or the child with a physical impairment may use atypical movement patterns. The form of a child's response may differ from that of his peers and still be considered to demonstrate mastery of a skill.
Appendix E:
Resources for Working in Partnership with Families

A central goal of the DRDP is to identify a child’s developmental progress based on typical, day-to-day behaviors. It is appropriate to seek input from individuals who have ongoing contact with the child and know the child well. Family members’ descriptions of their child’s behavior in the home or in community settings will help teachers and service providers know more about the child’s behaviors across settings, particularly for those skills the child may not demonstrate routinely in the educational setting; and help teachers and service providers obtain more comprehensive information in order to make accurate ratings for the DRDP (2015).

**Family members may participate in the DRDP assessment in a number of ways:**

- Inform the child’s teachers and service providers of the child’s history for a more complete picture of the child.
- Share the skills they see their child using in typical activities, and might share these skills via stories, photos, drawings, observations, and/or video clips.
- Share the child’s strengths, areas they wish to focus on, and areas of growth they observe.
- Become informed about the next steps in their child’s development.
- Help determine which adaptations will help their child participate in everyday activities (for children with an Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSPs) or Individualized Education Program (IEPs)) and share with the team adaptations the child uses at home, at school, and in other settings.

Below are resources to assist families in knowing more about the DRDP (2015) and the skills assessed as well as resources to assist teachers and service providers in working as partners with families in the assessment process.

**Resources for Families**

**Overview of the DRDP (2015) for Families:**
draccess.org/OverviewOfDRDPaccessForFamilies.html
A document describing how the DRDP (2015) works for children, including those with IFSPs and IEPs; and how it benefits families, children, providers, and programs.

**All About Young Children:**
allaboutyoungchildren.org
A website for families describing skills that help children learn including how they learn language, how they learn about feelings and relationships, how they learn about numbers, and how they become skillful at moving their bodies. (Available in eight different languages.)

**California MAP to inclusion and Belonging:**
cainclusion.org/camap/counties.html
The MAP Project website supports the inclusion of children with disabilities and other special needs ages birth to 21 in child care, after school and community settings. It includes links to resources on topics related to families and children with IFSPs and IEPs. The website contains a statewide interactive directory by county, of Family Resource Centers (FRC), Special Education Local Plan Areas (SELPA), Regional Centers, Head Start, and more for families of children with IFSPs and IEPs.

**Desired Results for Children and Families, Information for Families brochure:**
desiredresults.us/content/families
A brochure describing the Desired Results System for families.

**Watching My Child Grow:**
desiredresults.us/content/families
A DVD that describes the Desired Results Assessment System and its benefits for all children and families from the voices of parents. Call 1-800-770-6339 or visit the website.

**Resources for Teachers and Service Providers**

**Family Engagement and Ongoing Child Assessment:**
A document that addresses the perspectives of parents and program staff in the sharing of child assessment information through the formation of partnerships and suggests strategies for bringing those perspectives together.

**The Role of Family Observations:**
draccess.org/RoleOfFamilyObsv.html
A document describing the research findings that suggest parents’ observations are reliable and valid and should be considered an essential component of a comprehensive assessment process.

**Supporting Children and Families Living in Homeless Situations**

**CDE Homeless Education website:**
www.cde.ca.gov/sp/hs/
The McKinney-Vento Act defines homelessness as individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. This definition also includes individuals who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; who may be living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, shelters, public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings; or who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings.

Homeless children and youths have the right to access the same free, appropriate public education, including public preschools, as provided to other children. The website above addresses these rights, and provides educational information and resources for families and educators.
Supporting Children in Foster Care

CDE Foster Youth Services website: www.cde.ca.gov/ls/pf/fy/

Children in foster care face significant barriers to positive educational experiences and academic achievement. A large percentage of children placed in foster care experience physical and emotional trauma as a result of abuse, neglect, separation from family, and impermanence. Although youth are placed in foster care for their safety, foster youth often do not find the security and stability they need through the foster care system. Most children who enter foster care have been exposed to many conditions that have undermined their chances for healthy development and learning.

On average, children who enter the foster care system have experienced more than 14 different environmental, social, biological, and psychological risk factors before coming into care, all impacting learning. These factors often include abuse and neglect, exposure to illicit drugs, and poverty. Once in foster care, they often experience other challenges to their well-being. They may be separated from their brothers and sisters, moved from one foster care placement to another, experience frequent changes in home placements or school placement, or caseworkers who may lack the resources to effectively advocate and plan for their best interests.

The California State Legislature recognizes that a high percentage of foster youth are working substantially below grade level, are being retained at least one year at the same grade level, and are becoming school dropouts. In response, the legislature declared that the instruction, counseling, tutoring, and provision of related services for foster youth be a state priority and mandated the Foster Youth Services Coordinating (FYSC) Programs through California Education Code sections 42920–42925. The Program provides services to all foster children and youth attending schools in each county.

The website addresses foster children’s rights, and provides educational information and resources.

For more information

• For CDE-funded Early Education programs: www.cde.ca.gov/sp/cd/
• For CDE-funded Special Education programs: www.cde.ca.gov/sp/se/
• For EESD Training and Technical Assistance: Desired Results for Children and Families Project at www.desiredresults.us
• For SED Training and Technical Assistance: Desired Results Access Project: www.draccess.org
Appendix F:
Collaboration to Complete the DRDP (2015)

“The most valuable resource that teachers have is each other. Without collaboration our growth is limited to our own perspectives.” – Robert John Meehan

Collaborating with Others Who Know the Child Well

Our understanding of young children is strengthened when we commit to partnerships with individuals, including family members, who know the child well and in different settings. Collaboration in gathering and sharing information is important because it affords us windows into a child’s life and offers perspectives that enhance our understanding of a child’s skills and behaviors. Identifying and communicating with the individuals who can collaborate on rating the measures of the DRDP (2015) is an essential step in this process.

Through collaboration, early educators and special educators each bring their skills and perspectives. Early educators contribute by providing a picture of the child in the context of a classroom setting. Special education providers contribute by identifying perspectives on a child’s unique learning needs and specific understanding of a child’s disability including materials that should be available and adaptations that should be in place. This lays the foundation for teachers and service providers to complement one another’s work in assessing a child’s skills and development. Shared information can build relationships that lead to joint decision-making not only about the assessment process but also about curriculum, instruction, supports, and services that teachers, providers and families make for individual children and groups of children.

Collaboration to share assessment observations and evidence for completing the DRDP (2015) is built on relationships and a commitment to ongoing communication. It is developed over time with an understanding of each person’s role. Aim for multiple, informal strategies that can be used on a daily basis. Identifying mutual interests in supporting the child is important. Some questions that address joint interests include:

- What are the child’s goals?
- What specialized equipment or adaptations are used?
- How will the goals be infused into the child’s day and into learning activities?
- How will we know our strategies are working?

Collaborating with others in the assessment process is especially important in situations where the child is served by multiple providers. For example, a child may attend an early education program and also receive special education services, such as speech-language, occupational, and/or physical therapy. Early education teachers and special education providers can work hand-in-hand to complete the observations and DRDP (2015) ratings for children who are dually enrolled in both programs. How this collaboration will take place – who will be involved and what roles each individual will play – will vary depending on the situation. Teachers and service providers have reported the following helpful strategies:

- sharing information, including observations, adaptations, curriculum and program goals, and IFSP outcomes or IEP goals
- providing anecdotal notes
- sharing work samples and portfolios
- reviewing reports of DRDP (2015) results together

Increasingly, teachers and providers are utilizing technology such as short video clips or recordings, with family permission, to share information and observations. The DRDP (2015) app helps teachers collaborate, as well as using technology such as email, phone conferences and free web conferencing platforms. Local policies on using devices should be followed and child information should not be sent via email.

The early education teacher and special education service provider responsible for completing the DRDP (2015) should each take the lead in partnering with others who work with the child. The general educator is responsible for entering DRDP data into DRDPtech. The special educator is responsible for reporting and entering the assessment data on children who have IEPs or IFSPs to the SELPA. However, except for data reporting, the assessment can be completed together by both educators, and a copy of the Rating Record held by each of them for their respective reporting. Suggestions to help get started working together include:

- Make an initial plan detailing areas to be observed directly and those areas in which others may have a more thorough knowledge of the child. The general education teacher can provide information on all domains. A speech-language therapist might inform measures in the Language and Literacy Domain. Families and special education providers including physical and occupational therapists are a good source of information for measures in the Physical Development and Health Domain.
- Contact the individuals who will collaborate to discuss the mutual goal of completing the assessment and to develop a plan for working together.
- Develop a timeline that is acceptable to all partners, including identifying deadlines and strategies to meet timelines.
- Collect any signature requirements for sharing child information from the family.
- Gather multiple perspectives and consider input from family and others who know the child during assessment.
- Determine when and how communicating about updates and results will occur.
Collaborating with Families

Gathering family perspectives about their child’s development and behavior provides important and valid data, which is useful for making informed assessment decisions. Research suggests that family observations are reliable and valid and should be considered an essential component of a comprehensive assessment process. Inviting parents and other family members to share observations of their child’s development and behavior is required for EESD programs and is good practice in all early childhood settings and programs.

When families collaborate with teachers and service providers in sharing their observations about their child’s behaviors in the home or in community settings, it provides a richer and broader view of a child. Information from families helps to identify skills and behaviors that the child may not demonstrate routinely in the educational setting. For example, a teacher or therapist may not regularly observe a child’s dressing or other self-help skills. However, families have repeated opportunities to observe their child’s self-help skills both over time and in different settings. Parent observations support more accurate reporting about a child’s skills.

Strategies for gathering information from families include the following:

- Make sure that families understand the skills and behaviors described in the DRDP (2015) measures. Teachers and service providers understand expected sequences of child development and are trained about how items on the DRDP (2015) reflect these sequences. Parents might not understand fully the meaning of measures without explanations or examples. It may be useful to provide families with examples of the kinds of behaviors to look for or the routines and activities that might provide a context for a behavior. For example, rather than ask a parent to describe a child’s grasping pattern, inquire about how a child picks up small pieces of cereal during mealtime.

- It is reasonable for the observations of parents and practitioners to differ across the range of behaviors being rated. A child’s behavior during activities and routines that occur in the classroom setting may differ from the same child’s behavior in activities and routines in home or community settings. Not all perspectives about children’s behavior based on parent or practitioner observations will be congruent. Rather, aim for convergence or the pooling of perspectives from all who know the child and have had repeated opportunities to observe behavior in different settings.

The ongoing conversations that we have with family members during our typical interactions with them are rich opportunities for learning about their child. Leading a focused conversation with a family is particularly important to obtain information on measures that you have not had the opportunity to observe. During these conversations, focusing on routines and activities provides a very useful context for asking a family about their child’s everyday learning opportunities and skills. The four steps in the resource listed below will guide you in planning and leading focused conversations with families to help complete the DRDP (2015). If this is the first DRDP assessment that you will be completing with a particular child, be sure that you have spent enough time getting to know the child by observing the child’s skills during typical routines/activities and by having conversations with the family.

For more information

DEC Recommended Practices in Early Intervention/Early Childhood Special Education 2014
Developed to provide guidance to practitioners and families about the most effective ways to improve the learning outcomes and promote the development of young children, birth through age 5, who have or are at-risk for developmental delays or disabilities. The purpose is to help bridge the gap between research and practice by highlighting those practices that have been shown to result in better outcomes for you.

www.dec-sped.org/recommendedpractices

Inclusive Planning Checklist: Home-Visiting Programs
Provides suggestions for activities that should take place to ensure that high-quality integrated services are provided. From the Early Childhood Learning and Knowledge Center, Office of Head Start.

eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc/tta-system/teaching/docs/inclusive-plannng-checklist-home-visit.pdf

Leading Conversations with Families to Inform the DRDP (2015): Focusing on Families and Children’s Everyday Routines and Activities
A four-step process that guides early interventionists in holding focused conversations with families in order to gather information for the DRDP (2015).

dracess.org/LeadingFocusedConversations.html

The Role of Family Observations in the Desired Results Assessment System
An overview of the research findings that suggest parents’ observations are reliable and valid and should be considered an essential component of a comprehensive assessment process.

dracess.org/RoleOffamilyObsv.html

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