



Helping Families Prepare for Their EI Evaluation

"There is always some difference in a child's behavior when at home vs. at school. Being able to give parents and therapists a little synopsis of what a child is like here [in an early care and education setting] is something only we can provide."

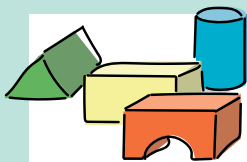
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Early Care and Education programs have a unique perspective on each child's development in a group learning environment. Many programs complete developmental checklists or screening tools to share with families prior to an EI evaluation. Programs that do not have access to developmental checklists or screening tools can choose to use this worksheet to provide feedback about a child's development in the early learning setting.

Directions: Complete this worksheet and share it with the family as they prepare for their child's EI evaluation.



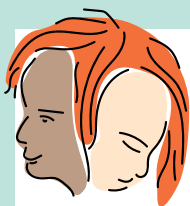
Physical Development - How does the child physically interact with the environment? Consider both gross motor movements (large muscle movements such as crawling or walking) and fine motor movements (small muscle movements such as use of fingers and hands). You can also consider the child's health, vision, and hearing.



Cognitive Development - How does the child process information and respond to objects? Consider things like how the child learns, plays with toys, and attends to classroom activities.



Communication Development - How does the child understand language and communicate? Consider how the child responds to being spoken to and uses eye contact, facial expressions, gestures, sounds, and/or words.



Social-Emotional Development - How does the child express and regulate their behaviors and emotions, and/or respond to social interactions? Consider things such as the child's ability to calm down when upset and interact with others.



Adaptive Development - How does the child engage in self-help activities? Consider things like how the child participates in everyday routines, such as feeding, diapering/toileting, and dressing.

Check out [The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\) Milestones](#) for more information on early childhood development.



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