

# **PEDIATRIC DEVELOPMENT**

**IN OFFICE SCREENING TOOLS & WHAT TO DO WHEN  
MILESTONES ARE NOT MET**

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# LEARNING OBJECTIVES

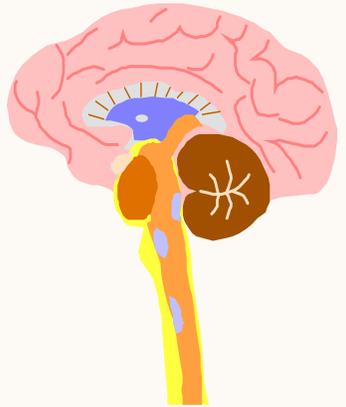
- I. Describe developmental assessments in newborns to early school age children
- II. Describe screening tools used during well child visits and their importance
- III. Describe the principles of early intervention programs, who gets referred and when
- IV. Describe screenings for ADHD/anxiety/depression and the role primary care has in treating these conditions

# WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

- Developmental milestones are abilities achieved by majority of children by certain predictable ages.
- The CDC estimates about 1 in 6 children aged 3-17 (17%) have a developmental delay or disability.
- Early recognition and treatment of developmental disorders improve outcomes and is an integral component of pediatric care.

# FIVE DOMAINS OF DEVELOPMENT

- Gross motor - use of large muscles
- Fine motor - use of small muscles of hands
- Cognition - thinking, learning, & memory
- Language - comprehension & use of meaningful symbolic communication
- Social - emotional reactions to events & interactions with others



# NEWBORN VISIT

1. Review newborn hearing screen result (HL → Speech delay)
2. Review newborn screen results ~2 weeks old

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## Congenital Hypothyroidism



Excessive  
sleeping



Poor  
feeding



Constipation



Prolonged  
Jaundice



Coarse facies



Umbilical  
hernia

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# Newborn Screening Program Laboratory Report

Specimen Type: First Specimen Received: 11/30/2020 Reported: 12/2/2020

Infant's Name:	FERNANDEZ	Gender:	MALE	Birth Order:	
Birth Date/Time:	11/23/2020 @ 09:07	Birth Weight:	3,240 grams	Gestational Age:	38 wks
1st Feed Date/Time:		Collection Weight:	3,110 grams	NICU:	No
Collection Date/Time:	11/24/2020 @ 13:02	Adoption:	No	Meconium Ileus:	No
Transfused Date/Time:		Race:	White, Hispanic	Feed Status:	Oral
Mother's Name:	FERNANDEZ, ELIZABETH	Phone:	[REDACTED]	Medicaid ID:	
Address:	[REDACTED]	Alt Phone:	[REDACTED]	Zip:	33029
City:	[REDACTED]	State:	FL	County:	BROWARD
Infant's Physician:	ALONSO, NOEL	Phone:	561-963-4874		
Hospital of Birth:	MEMORIAL HOSPITAL MIRAMAR	Medical Record #:	[REDACTED]		
Collection Site:	MEMORIAL HOSPITAL MIRAMAR	Hospital Lab #:		Collected By:	69007

Hearing Screen Date:	11/24/2020	Pulse Oximetry Screen Date:	11/24/2020	Pulse Oximetry Result:	Pass
Test Method - Left Ear:	ABR	Test Method - Right Ear:	ABR	Right Hand % Result:	97
Test Result - Left Ear:	Pass	Test Result - Right Ear:	Pass	Lower Extremity % Result:	98
Hearing Screening Risk Factors:		Reason Pulse Oximetry Screening Not Reported:			
Reason Not Tested:					

Hearing screening and pulse oximetry screening results were reported by the submitting entities.

## RESULTS:

Disorder/Analyte(s)	Patient Results	Normal Range	Comments	Recommendations
Amino Acidemias	Within Normal Limits			
Fatty Oxidation Disorders	Within Normal Limits			
Organic Acidemias	Within Normal Limits			
Endocrine Disorders	Within Normal Limits			
Enzyme Disorders	Within Normal Limits			
Hemoglobinopathies	Normal Hemoglobin Pattern			
Cystic Fibrosis	Within Normal Limits - No DNA Performed			
SCID	Within Normal Limits			
X-ALD	Within Normal Limits			
LSD	Within Normal Limits			
SMA	Within Normal Limits			

Newborn Screening results should be forwarded to the primary care physician and can be obtained online at [www.fnsr.net](http://www.fnsr.net)

COMMENT(S):

RECOMMENDATION(S):

**RESULTS:**

Disorder/Analyte(s)	Patient Results	Normal Range	Comments	Recommendations
Amino Acidemias	Within Normal Limits			
Fatty Oxidation Disorders	Within Normal Limits			
Organic Acidemias	Within Normal Limits			
Endocrine Disorders				
TSH	<b>37.3 <math>\mu</math>U/mL Serum</b>	$\leq$ 23 $\mu$ U/mL Serum	<b>A</b>	<b>1</b>
T4	<b>14.4 <math>\mu</math>g/dL Serum</b>	$\geq$ 6.6 $\mu$ g/dL Serum		
17OHP	Within Normal Limits			
Enzyme Disorders	Within Normal Limits			
Hemoglobinopathies	Normal Hemoglobin Pattern			
Cystic Fibrosis	Within Normal Limits - No DNA Performed			
SCID	Within Normal Limits			
X-ALD	Within Normal Limits			

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**COMMENT(S):**

A. The result indicates a Borderline TSH level, which may suggest Possible Congenital Hypothyroidism.

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

1. Physician discretion strongly advised. Repeat newborn screen or test for serum TSH. Refer infant to endocrinologist if serum TSH is abnormal and fax lab report to 850-922-5385. Contact NBS Program for further assistance: 866-804-9166.

Age	Gross Motor	Fine Motor	Self-Help	Problem-solving	Social/Emotional	Receptive Language	Expressive Language
12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stands well with arms high, legs splayed</li> <li>Posterior protection</li> <li>Independent steps</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scribbles after demonstration</li> <li>Fine pincer grasp of pellet</li> <li>Holds crayon</li> <li>Attempts tower of two cubes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finger feeds part of meal</li> <li>Takes off hat</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rattles spoon in cup</li> <li>Lifts box lid to find toy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shows objects to parent to share interest</li> <li>Points to get desired object (proto-imperative pointing)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follows one-step command with gesture</li> <li>Recognizes names of two objects and looks when named</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Points to get desired object (proto-imperative pointing)</li> <li>Uses several gestures with vocalizing (eg, waving, reaching)</li> </ul>
13 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Walks with arms high and out (high guard)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attempts to release pellet in bottle</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drinks from cup with some spilling</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dangles ring by string</li> <li>Reaches around clear barrier to obtain object</li> <li>Unwraps toy in cloth</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shows desire to please caregiver</li> <li>Solitary play</li> <li>Functional play</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Looks appropriately when asked, "Where's the ball?"</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uses three words</li> <li>Immature jargonizing: inflection without real words</li> </ul>
14 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stands without pulling up</li> <li>Falls by collapse</li> <li>Walks well</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Imitates back and forth scribble</li> <li>Adds third cube to a two-cube tower</li> <li>Puts round peg in and out of hole</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Removes socks/shoes</li> <li>Chews well</li> <li>Puts spoon in mouth (turns over)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dumps pellet out of bottle after demonstration</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Points at object to express interest (proto-declarative pointing)</li> <li>Purposeful exploration of toys through trial and error</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follows one-step command without gesture</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Names one object</li> <li>Points at object to express interest (proto-declarative pointing)</li> </ul>
15 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stoops to pick up toy</li> <li>Creeps up stairs</li> <li>Runs stiff-legged</li> <li>Walks carrying toy</li> <li>Climbs on furniture</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Builds three-to four-cube tower</li> <li>Places 10 cubes in cup</li> <li>Releases pellet into bottle</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uses spoon with some spilling</li> <li>Attempts to brush own hair</li> <li>Fusses to be changed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Turns pages in book</li> <li>Places circle in single-shape puzzle</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shows empathy (someone else cries, child looks sad)</li> <li>Hugs adult in reciprocation</li> <li>Recognizes without a demonstration that a toy requires activation; hands it to adult if can't operate</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Points to one body part</li> <li>Points to one object of three when named</li> <li>Gets object from another room upon demand</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uses three to five words</li> <li>Mature jargonizing with real words</li> </ul>
16 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stands on one foot with slight support</li> <li>Walks backwards</li> <li>Walks up stairs with one hand held</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Puts several round pegs in board with urging</li> <li>Scribbles spontaneously</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Picks up and drinks from cup</li> <li>Fetches and carries objects (same room)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dumps pellet out without demonstration</li> <li>Finds toy observed to be hidden under layers of covers</li> <li>Places circle in form board</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kisses by touching lips to skin</li> <li>Periodically visually relocates caregiver</li> <li>Self-conscious; embarrassed when aware of people observing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understands simple commands, "Bring to mommy"</li> <li>Points to one picture when named</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uses 5 to 10 words</li> </ul>





# OVERCOMING TIME HURDLES

Questionnaires can be completed ahead of visit or in waiting room.

-ASQ at 9 mo., 18 mo. & 30 mo. WCC

-MCHAT at 18 mo. & 24 mo. WCC

9 and 30 mo. WCC are not vaccine visits typically 100% growth and development!

**MCHAT** [www.m-chat.org](http://www.m-chat.org)

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Age \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child \_\_\_\_\_

**M-CHAT-R™ (Modified Checklist for Autism in Toddlers Revised)**

Please answer these questions about your child. Keep in mind how your child usually behaves. If you have seen your child do the behavior a few times, but he or she does not usually do it, then please answer **no**. Please circle **yes** or **no** for every question. Thank you very much.

- If you point at something across the room, does your child look at it? (FOR EXAMPLE, if you point at a toy or an animal, does your child look at the toy or animal?) Yes No
- Have you ever wondered if your child might be deaf? Yes No
- Does your child play pretend or make-believe? (FOR EXAMPLE, pretend to drink from an empty cup, pretend to talk on a phone, or pretend to feed a doll or stuffed animal?) Yes No
- Does your child like climbing on things? (FOR EXAMPLE, furniture, playground equipment, or stairs) Yes No
- Does your child make unusual finger movements near his or her eyes? (FOR EXAMPLE, does your child wiggle his or her fingers close to his or her eyes?) Yes No
- Does your child point with one finger to ask for something or to get help? (FOR EXAMPLE, pointing to a snack or toy that is out of reach) Yes No
- Does your child point with one finger to show you something interesting? (FOR EXAMPLE, pointing to an airplane in the sky or a big truck in the road) Yes No
- Is your child interested in other children? (FOR EXAMPLE, does your child watch other children, smile at them, or go to them?) Yes No
- Does your child show you things by bringing them to you or holding them up for you to see – not to get help, but just to share? (FOR EXAMPLE, showing you a flower, a stuffed animal, or a toy truck) Yes No
- Does your child respond when you call his or her name? (FOR EXAMPLE, does he or she look up, talk or babble, or stop what he or she is doing when you call his or her name?) Yes No
- When you smile at your child, does he or she smile back at you? Yes No
- Does your child get upset by everyday noises? (FOR EXAMPLE, does your child scream or cry to noise such as a vacuum cleaner or loud music?) Yes No
- Does your child walk? Yes No
- Does your child look you in the eye when you are talking to him or her, playing with him or her, or dressing him or her? Yes No
- Does your child try to copy what you do? (FOR EXAMPLE, wave bye-bye, clap, or make a funny noise when you do) Yes No
- If you turn your head to look at something, does your child look around to see what you are looking at? Yes No
- Does your child try to get you to watch him or her? (FOR EXAMPLE, does your child look at you for praise, or say "look" or "watch me"?) Yes No
- Does your child understand when you tell him or her to do something? (FOR EXAMPLE, if you don't point, can your child understand "put the book on the chair" or "bring me the blanket"?) Yes No
- If something new happens, does your child look at your face to see how you feel about it? (FOR EXAMPLE, if he or she hears a strange or funny noise, or sees a new toy, will he or she look at your face?) Yes No
- Does your child like movement activities? (FOR EXAMPLE, being swung or bounced on your knee) Yes No

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**ASQ-3** Ages & Stages Questionnaires®  
9 months 0 days through 9 months 30 days  
**9 Month Questionnaire**

Please provide the following information. Use black or blue ink only and print legibly when completing this form.

Date ASQ completed: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Baby's information**

Baby's first name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle initial: \_\_\_\_\_ Baby's last name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Baby's date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ If baby was born 3 or more weeks prematurely, # of weeks premature: \_\_\_\_\_  
M M D D Y Y Y Y

**Person filling out questionnaire**

First name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle initial: \_\_\_\_\_ Last name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_  
Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Home telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Names of people assisting in questionnaire completion: \_\_\_\_\_

**PROGRAM INFORMATION**

Baby ID #: \_\_\_\_\_ Age at administration: \_\_\_\_\_  
Program ID #: \_\_\_\_\_ If premature, adjust: \_\_\_\_\_  
Program name: \_\_\_\_\_

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# SCREENING TOOLS

- ASQ
  - English/Spanish
  - available for every age well visits are done
  - easy to score
  - easy to see where referral(s) **ST/PT/OT/ABA** or closer follow up needed
- MCHAT (Modified Checklist for Autism in Toddlers)
  - English/Spanish
  - For all questions except #2, 5, 12, the answer NO indicates ASD risk
  - **RED** flags questions #2, 5, 12 the answer YES indicates ASD risk
  - **Additional referral to ABA therapy if Autism concern**

On the following pages are questions about activities babies may do. Your baby may have already done some of the activities described here, and there may be some your baby has not begun doing yet. For each item, please fill in the circle that indicates whether your baby is doing the activity regularly, sometimes, or not yet.

### Important Points to Remember:

- Try each activity with your baby before marking a response.
- Make completing this questionnaire a game that is fun for you and your baby.
- Make sure your baby is rested and fed.
- Please return this questionnaire by \_\_\_\_\_

### Notes:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## COMMUNICATION

	YES	SOMETIMES	NOT YET	
1. Does your baby make sounds like "da," "ga," "ka," and "ba"?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	___
2. If you copy the sounds your baby makes, does your baby repeat the same sounds back to you?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	___
3. Does your baby make two similar sounds like "ba-ba," "da-da," or "ga-ga"? (The sounds do not need to mean anything.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	___
4. If you ask your baby to, does he play at least one nursery game even if you don't show him the activity yourself (such as "bye-bye," "Peek-a-boo," "clap your hands," "So Big")?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	___
5. Does your baby follow one simple command, such as "Come here," "Give it to me," or "Put it back," without your using gestures?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	___
6. Does your baby say three words, such as "Mama," "Dada," and "Baba"? (A "word" is a sound or sounds your baby says consistently to mean someone or something.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	___
	COMMUNICATION TOTAL			___

## GROSS MOTOR

	YES	SOMETIMES	NOT YET	
1. If you hold both hands just to balance your baby, does she support her own weight while standing? 	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	___
2. When sitting on the floor, does your baby sit up straight for several minutes without using his hands for support? 	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	___

## GROSS MOTOR (continued)

	YES	SOMETIMES	NOT YET	
3. When you stand your baby next to furniture or the crib rail, does she hold on without leaning her chest against the furniture for support? 	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
4. While holding onto furniture, does your baby bend down and pick up a toy from the floor and then return to a standing position? 	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
5. While holding onto furniture, does your baby lower himself with control (without falling or flopping down)? <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
6. Does your baby walk beside furniture while holding on with only one hand? <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
GROSS MOTOR TOTAL				—

## FINE MOTOR

	YES	SOMETIMES	NOT YET	
1. Does your baby pick up a small toy with only one hand? 	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
2. Does your baby successfully pick up a crumb or Cheerio by using her thumb and all of her fingers in a raking motion? (If she already picks up a crumb or Cheerio, mark "yes" for this item.) 	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
3. Does your baby pick up a small toy with the tips of his thumb and fingers? (You should see a space between the toy and his palm.) 	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
4. After one or two tries, does your baby pick up a piece of string with her first finger and thumb? (The string may be attached to a toy.) 	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
5. Does your baby pick up a crumb or Cheerio with the tips of his thumb and a finger? He may rest his arm or hand on the table while doing it. 	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—*
6. Does your baby put a small toy down, without dropping it, and then take her hand off the toy? <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
FINE MOTOR TOTAL				—

\*If Fine Motor Item 5 is marked "yes" or "sometimes," mark Fine Motor Item 2 "yes."

## PROBLEM SOLVING

	YES	SOMETIMES	NOT YET	
1. Does your baby pass a toy back and forth from one hand to the other? 	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
2. Does your baby pick up two small toys, one in each hand, and hold onto them for about 1 minute? 	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
3. When holding a toy in his hand, does your baby bang it against another toy on the table? 	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
4. While holding a small toy in each hand, does your baby clap the toys together (like "Pat-a-cake")? <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
5. Does your baby poke at or try to get a crumb or Cheerio that is inside a clear bottle (such as a plastic soda-pop bottle or baby bottle)? <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
6. After watching you hide a small toy under a piece of paper or cloth, does your baby find it? (Be sure the toy is completely hidden.) <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
PROBLEM SOLVING TOTAL				—

## PERSONAL-SOCIAL

	YES	SOMETIMES	NOT YET	
1. While your baby is on her back, does she put her foot in her mouth? 	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
2. Does your baby drink water, juice, or formula from a cup while you hold it? <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
3. Does your baby feed himself a cracker or a cookie? <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
4. When you hold out your hand and ask for her toy, does your baby offer it to you even if she doesn't let go of it? (If she already lets go of the toy into your hand, mark "yes" for this item.) <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
5. When you dress your baby, does he push his arm through a sleeve once his arm is started in the hole of the sleeve? <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
6. When you hold out your hand and ask for her toy, does your baby let go of it into your hand? <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	—
PERSONAL-SOCIAL TOTAL				—

**OVERALL**

Parents and providers may use the space below for additional comments.

1. Does your baby use both hands and both legs equally well? If no, explain:  YES  NO

2. When you help your baby stand, are his feet flat on the surface most of the time? If no, explain:  YES  NO

3. Do you have concerns that your baby is too quiet or does not make sounds like other babies? If yes, explain:  YES  NO

4. Does either parent have a family history of childhood deafness or hearing impairment? If yes, explain:  YES  NO

5. Do you have concerns about your baby's vision? If yes, explain:  YES  NO

6. Has your baby had any medical problems in the last several months? If yes, explain:  YES  NO

**OVERALL** (continued)

7. Do you have any concerns about your baby's behavior? If yes, explain:  YES  NO


**9 Month ASQ-3 Information Summary** 9 months 0 days through 9 months 30 days

Baby's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date ASQ completed: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Baby's ID #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Administering program/provider: \_\_\_\_\_ Was age adjusted for prematurity when selecting questionnaire?  Yes  No

1. **SCORE AND TRANSFER TOTALS TO CHART BELOW:** See ASQ-3 User's Guide for details, including how to adjust scores if item responses are missing. Score each item (YES = 10, SOMETIMES = 5, NOT YET = 0). Add item scores, and record each area total. In the chart below, transfer the total scores, and fill in the circles corresponding with the total scores.

Area	Cutoff	Total Score	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
Communication	13.97		●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Gross Motor	17.82		●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Fine Motor	31.32		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○
Problem Solving	28.72		●	●	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Personal-Social	18.91		●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○

2. **TRANSFER OVERALL RESPONSES:** Bolded uppercase responses require follow-up. See ASQ-3 User's Guide, Chapter 6.

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|--|--|
| 1. Uses both hands and both legs equally well? <b>YES</b> NO<br>Comments: _____    | 5. Concerns about vision? <b>YES</b> No<br>Comments: _____   |
| 2. Feet are flat on the surface most of the time? <b>YES</b> NO<br>Comments: _____ | 6. Any medical problems? <b>YES</b> No<br>Comments: _____    |
| 3. Concerns about not making sounds? <b>YES</b> No<br>Comments: _____              | 7. Concerns about behavior? <b>YES</b> No<br>Comments: _____ |
| 4. Family history of hearing impairment? <b>YES</b> No<br>Comments: _____          | 8. Other concerns? <b>YES</b> No<br>Comments: _____          |

3. **ASQ SCORE INTERPRETATION AND RECOMMENDATION FOR FOLLOW-UP:** You must consider total area scores, overall responses, and other considerations, such as opportunities to practice skills, to determine appropriate follow-up.

If the baby's total score is in the  area, it is above the cutoff, and the baby's development appears to be on schedule.  
 If the baby's total score is in the  area, it is close to the cutoff. Provide learning activities and monitor.  
 If the baby's total score is in the  area, it is below the cutoff. Further assessment with a professional may be needed.

4. **FOLLOW-UP ACTION TAKEN:** Check all that apply.

- Provide activities and rescreen in \_\_\_\_\_ months.
- Share results with primary health care provider.
- Refer for (circle all that apply) hearing, vision, and/or behavioral screening.
- Refer to primary health care provider or other community agency (specify reason): \_\_\_\_\_
- Refer to early intervention/early childhood special education.
- No further action taken at this time
- Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

5. **OPTIONAL:** Transfer item responses (Y = YES, S = SOMETIMES, N = NOT YET, X = response missing).

	1	2	3	4	5	6
Communication						
Gross Motor						
Fine Motor						
Problem Solving						
Personal-Social						

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Age 18 mo. | 24 mo. Relationship to child \_\_\_\_\_

**M-CHAT-R™** (Modified Checklist for Autism in Toddlers Revised)

Please answer these questions about your child. Keep in mind how your child usually behaves. If you have seen your child do the behavior a few times, but he or she does not usually do it, then please answer no. Please circle **yes** or **no** for every question. Thank you very much.

1. If you point at something across the room, does your child look at it? (FOR EXAMPLE, if you point at a toy or an animal, does your child look at the toy or animal?)  Yes  No
2. Have you ever wondered if your child might be deaf?  Yes  No
3. Does your child play pretend or make-believe? (FOR EXAMPLE, pretend to drink from an empty cup, pretend to talk on a phone, or pretend to feed a doll or stuffed animal?)  Yes  No
4. Does your child like climbing on things? (FOR EXAMPLE, furniture, playground equipment, or stairs)  Yes  No
5. Does your child make unusual finger movements near his or her eyes? (FOR EXAMPLE, does your child wiggle his or her fingers close to his or her eyes?)  Yes  No
6. Does your child point with one finger to ask for something or to get help? (FOR EXAMPLE, pointing to a snack or toy that is out of reach)  Yes  No
7. Does your child point with one finger to show you something interesting? (FOR EXAMPLE, pointing to an airplane in the sky or a big truck in the road)  Yes  No
8. Is your child interested in other children? (FOR EXAMPLE, does your child watch other children, smile at them, or go to them?)  Yes  No
9. Does your child show you things by bringing them to you or holding them up for you to see – not to get help, but just to share? (FOR EXAMPLE, showing you a flower, a stuffed animal, or a toy truck)  Yes  No
10. Does your child respond when you call his or her name? (FOR EXAMPLE, does he or she look up, talk or babble, or stop what he or she is doing when you call his or her name?)  Yes  No
11. When you smile at your child, does he or she smile back at you?  Yes  No
12. Does your child get upset by everyday noises? (FOR EXAMPLE, does your child scream or cry to noise such as a vacuum cleaner or loud music?)  Yes  No
13. Does your child walk?  Yes  No
14. Does your child look you in the eye when you are talking to him or her, playing with him or her, or dressing him or her?  Yes  No
15. Does your child try to copy what you do? (FOR EXAMPLE, wave bye-bye, clap, or make a funny noise when you do)  Yes  No
16. If you turn your head to look at something, does your child look around to see what you are looking at?  Yes  No
17. Does your child try to get you to watch him or her? (FOR EXAMPLE, does your child look at you for praise, or say "look" or "watch me"?)  Yes  No
18. Does your child understand when you tell him or her to do something? (FOR EXAMPLE, if you don't point, can your child understand "put the book on the chair" or "bring me the blanket"?)  Yes  No
19. If something new happens, does your child look at your face to see how you feel about it? (FOR EXAMPLE, if he or she hears a strange or funny noise, or sees a new toy, will he or she look at your face?)  Yes  No
20. Does your child like movement activities? (FOR EXAMPLE, being swung or bounced on your knee)  Yes  No

**MCHAT at 18 mo. & 24 mo. WCC**

**LOW-RISK:** Total Score is 0-2; if child is younger than 24 months, screen again after second birthday. No further action required unless surveillance indicates risk for ASD.

**MEDIUM-RISK:** Total Score is 3-7; Administer the Follow-Up (second stage of M-CHAT-R/F) to get additional information about at-risk responses. If M-CHAT-R/F score remains at 2 or higher, the child has screened positive. Action required: refer child for diagnostic evaluation and eligibility evaluation for early intervention. If score on Follow-Up is 0-1, child has screened negative. No further action required unless surveillance indicates risk for ASD. Child should be rescreened at future well-child visits.

**HIGH-RISK:** Total Score is 8-20; It is acceptable to bypass the Follow-Up and refer immediately for diagnostic evaluation and eligibility evaluation for early intervention.

## M-CHAT-R Follow-Up™ Scoring Sheet

Please note: Yes/No has been replaced with Pass/Fail

1. If you point at something across the room, does your child look at it? (FOR EXAMPLE, if you point at a toy or an animal, does your child look at the toy or animal?)	Pass	Fail
2. Have you ever wondered if your child might be deaf?	Pass	Fail
3. Does your child play pretend or make-believe? (FOR EXAMPLE, pretend to drink from an empty cup, pretend to talk on a phone, or pretend to feed a doll or stuffed animal)	Pass	Fail
4. Does your child like climbing on things? (FOR EXAMPLE, furniture, playground equipment, or stairs)	Pass	Fail
5. Does your child make <u>unusual</u> finger movements near his or her eyes? (FOR EXAMPLE, does your child wiggle his or her fingers close to his or her eyes?)	Pass	Fail
6. Does your child point with one finger to ask for something or to get help? (FOR EXAMPLE, pointing to a snack or toy that is out of reach)	Pass	Fail
7. Does your child point with one finger to show you something interesting? (FOR EXAMPLE, pointing to an airplane in the sky or a big truck in the road)	Pass	Fail
8. Is your child interested in other children? (FOR EXAMPLE, does your child watch other children, smile at them, or go to them?)	Pass	Fail
9. Does your child show you things by bringing them to you or holding them up for you to see – not to get help, but just to share? (FOR EXAMPLE, showing you a flower, a stuffed animal, or a toy truck)	Pass	Fail
10. Does your child respond when you call his or her name? (FOR EXAMPLE, does he or she look up, talk or babble, or stop what he or she is doing when you call his or her name?)	Pass	Fail
11. When you smile at your child, does he or she smile back at you?	Pass	Fail
12. Does your child get upset by everyday noises? (FOR EXAMPLE, a vacuum cleaner or loud music)	Pass	Fail
13. Does your child walk?	Pass	Fail
14. Does your child look you in the eye when you are talking to him or her, playing with him or her, or dressing him or her?	Pass	Fail
15. Does your child try to copy what you do? (FOR EXAMPLE, wave bye-bye, clap, or make a funny noise when you do)	Pass	Fail
16. If you turn your head to look at something, does your child look around to see what you are looking at?	Pass	Fail
17. Does your child try to get you to watch him or her? (FOR EXAMPLE, does your child look at you for praise, or say "look" or "watch me")	Pass	Fail
18. Does your child understand when you tell him or her to do something? (FOR EXAMPLE, if you don't point, can your child understand "put the book on the chair" or "bring me the blanket")	Pass	Fail
19. If something new happens, does your child look at your face to see how you feel about it? (FOR EXAMPLE, if he or she hears a strange or funny noise, or sees a new toy, will he or she look at your face?)	Pass	Fail
20. Does your child like movement activities? (FOR EXAMPLE, being swung or bounced on your knee)	Pass	Fail

Nombre: \_\_\_\_\_ Fecha De Nacimiento: \_\_\_\_\_

M-CHAT-R™

Por favor conteste las siguientes preguntas teniendo en cuenta el comportamiento que su hijo/a presenta usualmente. Si ha notado cierto comportamiento algunas veces, pero no es algo que hace usualmente, favor conteste **no**. Conteste cada una de las preguntas, marcando con un círculo, la palabra **sí** o **no** con respuesta. Muchas gracias.

1. ¿Si usted señala un objeto del otro lado del cuarto, su hijo/a lo mira? (POR EJEMPLO ¿Si usted señala un juguete o un animal, su hijo/a mira al juguete o al animal?)	Sí
2. ¿Alguna vez se ha preguntado si su hijo/a es sordo/a?	Sí
3. ¿Su hijo/a juega juegos de fantasía o imaginación? (POR EJEMPLO finge beber de una taza vacía, finge hablar por teléfono o finge darle de comer a una muñeca o un peluche)	Sí
4. ¿A su hijo/a le gusta treparse a las cosas? (POR EJEMPLO muebles, escaleras o juegos infantiles)	Sí
5. ¿Su hijo/a hace movimientos inusuales con los dedos cerca de sus ojos? (POR EJEMPLO ¿Mueve sus dedos cerca de sus ojos de manera inusual?)	Sí
6. ¿Su hijo/a apunta o señala con un dedo cuando quiere pedir algo o pedir ayuda? (POR EJEMPLO señala un juguete o algo para comer que está fuera de su alcance)	Sí
7. ¿Su hijo/a apunta o señala con un dedo cuando quiere mostrarle algo interesante? (POR EJEMPLO señala un avión en el cielo o un camión grande en el camino)	Sí
8. ¿Su hijo/a muestra interés en otros niños? (POR EJEMPLO ¿mira con atención a otros niños, les sonríe o se les acerca?)	Sí
9. ¿Su hijo/a le muestra cosas acercándose a usted o levantándolas para que usted las vea, no para pedir ayuda sino para compartirlas con usted? (POR EJEMPLO le muestra una flor, un peluche o un camión/carro de juguete)	Sí
10. ¿Su hijo/a responde cuando usted le llama por su nombre? (POR EJEMPLO ¿Cuando usted lo llama por su nombre: lo mira a usted, habla, balbucea, o deja de hacer lo que estaba haciendo?)	Sí
11. ¿Cuándo usted le sonríe a su hijo/a, él o ella le devuelve la sonrisa?	Sí
12. ¿A su hijo/a le molestan los ruidos cotidianos? (POR EJEMPLO ¿Llora o grita cuando escucha la aspiradora o música muy fuerte?)	Sí
13. ¿Su hijo/a camina?	Sí
14. ¿Su hijo/a le mira a los ojos cuando usted le habla, juega con él/ella o lo/la viste?	Sí
15. ¿Su hijo/a trata de imitar sus movimientos? (POR EJEMPLO decir adiós con la mano, aplaudir o algún ruido chistoso que usted haga)	Sí
16. ¿Si usted se voltea a ver algo, su hijo/a trata de ver que es lo que usted está mirando?	Sí
17. ¿Su hijo/a trata que usted lo mire? (POR EJEMPLO ¿Busca que usted lo/la halague, o dice "mirame"?)	Sí
18. ¿Su hijo/a le entiende cuando usted le dice que haga algo? (POR EJEMPLO ¿Su hijo/a entiende "pon el libro en la silla" o "tráeme la cobija" sin que usted haga señas?)	Sí
19. ¿Si algo nuevo ocurre, su hijo/a lo mira a la cara para ver cómo se siente usted al respecto? (POR EJEMPLO ¿Si oye un ruido extraño o ve un juguete nuevo, se voltearía a ver su cara?)	Sí
20. ¿A su hijo/a le gustan las actividades con movimiento? (POR EJEMPLO Le gusta que lo mezan/columpien, o que lo haga saltar en sus rodillas)	Sí

## WHAT TO DO NEXT:



If patient less than 3 y/o → Florida's Early Steps program: will be evaluated and referred for therapies (ST/PT/OT/ABA) (954-728-1101) or <https://floridaearlysteps.com/make-a-referral/>

If < 3 y/o and concerned for Speech delay also refer to Audiology for hearing screen

If 3-5 years old and not in public school no referral needed for FDLRS (Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System) <https://fdlrs.jotform.com/251444884796069>



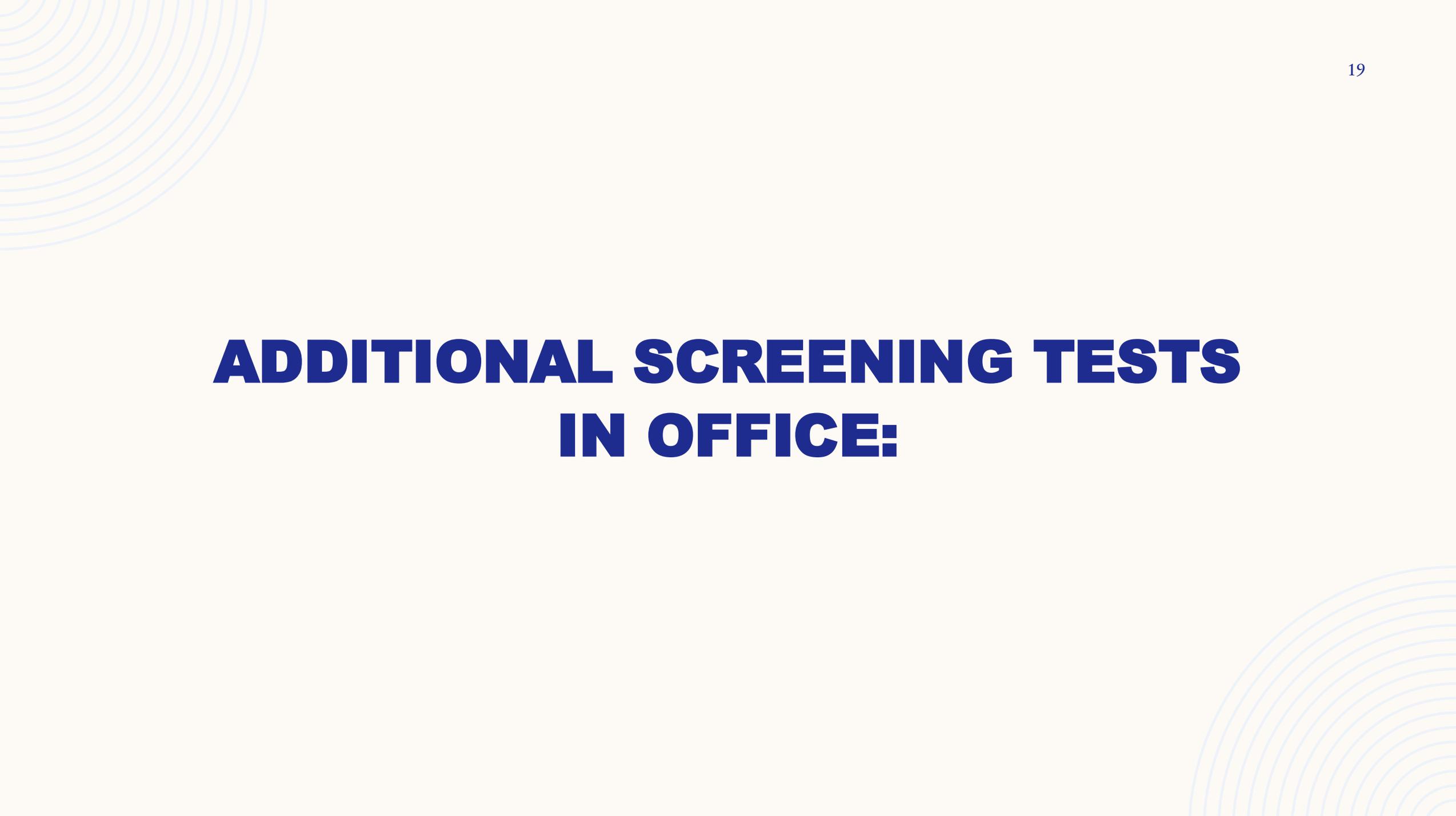
If Autism/Developmental delay assessment needed 18 mos-7 years old → Unicorn Children's Foundation Developmental Assessment Clinic (954) 262-7122 (~3 mo. waitlist)



# WHERE TO REFER CONT.

If 3-5 years old and in public school: screening process completed by school. <https://www.browardschools.com/bcps-departments/early-childhood-education/head-start/apply-now-head-start-application-steps>

Neurology will see autism but not urgently. (~8 mo. waitlist) in meantime PCP can refer for therapies; May need formal Comprehensive Diagnostic Evaluations (CDEs) for insurance to cover ABA. And PCP to write ABA letter of medical necessity.



# **ADDITIONAL SCREENING TESTS IN OFFICE:**

# ADHD

DSM -5 diagnostic criteria: several inattentive or hyperactive-impulsive symptoms present prior to age 12 years

# VANDERBILT FORMS

## NICHQ Vanderbilt Assessment Scale—PARENT Informant

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:** Each rating should be considered in the context of what is appropriate for the age of your child. When completing this form, please think about your child's behaviors in the past 6 months.

Is this evaluation based on a time when the child  was on medication  was not on medication  not sure?

Symptoms	Never	Occasionally	Often	Very Often
1. Does not pay attention to details or makes careless mistakes with, for example, homework	0	1	2	3
2. Has difficulty keeping attention to what needs to be done	0	1	2	3
3. Does not seem to listen when spoken to directly	0	1	2	3
4. Does not follow through when given directions and fails to finish activities (not due to refusal or failure to understand)	0	1	2	3
5. Has difficulty organizing tasks and activities	0	1	2	3
6. Avoids, dislikes, or does not want to start tasks that require ongoing mental effort	0	1	2	3
7. Loses things necessary for tasks or activities (toys, assignments, pencils, or books)	0	1	2	3
8. Is easily distracted by noises or other stimuli	0	1	2	3
9. Is forgetful in daily activities	0	1	2	3
10. Fidgets with hands or feet or squirms in seat	0	1	2	3
11. Leaves seat when remaining seated is expected	0	1	2	3
12. Runs about or climbs too much when remaining seated is expected	0	1	2	3
13. Has difficulty playing or beginning quiet play activities	0	1	2	3
14. Is "on the go" or often acts as if "driven by a motor"	0	1	2	3
15. Talks too much	0	1	2	3
16. Blurts out answers before questions have been completed	0	1	2	3
17. Has difficulty waiting his or her turn	0	1	2	3
18. Interrupts or intrudes in on others' conversations and/or activities	0	1	2	3
19. Argues with adults	0	1	2	3
20. Loses temper	0	1	2	3
21. Actively defies or refuses to go along with adults' requests or rules	0	1	2	3
22. Deliberately annoys people	0	1	2	3
23. Blames others for his or her mistakes or misbehaviors	0	1	2	3
24. Is touchy or easily annoyed by others	0	1	2	3
25. Is angry or resentful	0	1	2	3
26. Is spiteful and wants to get even	0	1	2	3
27. Bullies, threatens, or intimidates others	0	1	2	3
28. Starts physical fights	0	1	2	3
29. Lies to get out of trouble or to avoid obligations (ie, "cons" others)	0	1	2	3
30. Is truant from school (skips school) without permission	0	1	2	3
31. Is physically cruel to people	0	1	2	3
32. Has stolen things that have value	0	1	2	3

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## NICHQ Vanderbilt Assessment Scale—TEACHER Informant

Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Name/Period: \_\_\_\_\_

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:** Each rating should be considered in the context of what is appropriate for the age of the child you are rating and should reflect that child's behavior since the beginning of the school year. Please indicate the number of weeks or months you have been able to evaluate the behaviors: \_\_\_\_\_.

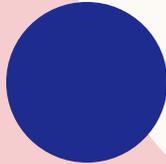
Is this evaluation based on a time when the child  was on medication  was not on medication  not sure?

Symptoms	Never	Occasionally	Often	Very Often
1. Fails to give attention to details or makes careless mistakes in schoolwork	0	1	2	3
2. Has difficulty sustaining attention to tasks or activities	0	1	2	3
3. Does not seem to listen when spoken to directly	0	1	2	3
4. Does not follow through on instructions and fails to finish schoolwork (not due to oppositional behavior or failure to understand)	0	1	2	3
5. Has difficulty organizing tasks and activities	0	1	2	3
6. Avoids, dislikes, or is reluctant to engage in tasks that require sustained mental effort	0	1	2	3
7. Loses things necessary for tasks or activities (school assignments, pencils, or books)	0	1	2	3
8. Is easily distracted by extraneous stimuli	0	1	2	3
9. Is forgetful in daily activities	0	1	2	3
10. Fidgets with hands or feet or squirms in seat	0	1	2	3
11. Leaves seat in classroom or in other situations in which remaining seated is expected	0	1	2	3
12. Runs about or climbs excessively in situations in which remaining seated is expected	0	1	2	3
13. Has difficulty playing or engaging in leisure activities quietly	0	1	2	3
14. Is "on the go" or often acts as if "driven by a motor"	0	1	2	3
15. Talks excessively	0	1	2	3
16. Blurts out answers before questions have been completed	0	1	2	3
17. Has difficulty waiting in line	0	1	2	3
18. Interrupts or intrudes on others (eg, butts into conversations/games)	0	1	2	3
19. Loses temper	0	1	2	3
20. Actively defies or refuses to comply with adult's requests or rules	0	1	2	3
21. Is angry or resentful	0	1	2	3
22. Is spiteful and vindictive	0	1	2	3
23. Bullies, threatens, or intimidates others	0	1	2	3
24. Initiates physical fights	0	1	2	3
25. Lies to obtain goods for favors or to avoid obligations (eg, "cons" others)	0	1	2	3
26. Is physically cruel to people	0	1	2	3
27. Has stolen items of nontrivial value	0	1	2	3
28. Deliberately destroys others' property	0	1	2	3
29. Is fearful, anxious, or worried	0	1	2	3
30. Is self-conscious or easily embarrassed	0	1	2	3
31. Is afraid to try new things for fear of making mistakes	0	1	2	3

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These scales should NOT be used alone to make any diagnosis. You must take into consideration information from multiple sources. Scores of 2 or 3 on a single Symptom question reflect **often-occurring** behaviors. Scores of 4 or 5 on Performance questions reflect problems in performance.

The initial assessment scales, parent and teacher, have 2 components: symptom assessment and impairment in performance. On both the parent and teacher initial scales, the symptom assessment screens for symptoms that meet criteria for both inattentive (items 1–9) and hyperactive ADHD (items 10–18).

To meet *DSM-IV* criteria for the diagnosis, one must have at least 6 positive responses to either the inattentive 9 or hyperactive 9 core symptoms, or both. A positive response is a 2 or 3 (often, very often) (you could draw a line straight down the page and count the positive answers in each subsegment). There is a place to

record the number of positives in each subsegment, and a place for total score for the first 18 symptoms (just add them up).

The initial scales also have symptom screens for 3 other co-morbidities—oppositional-defiant, conduct, and anxiety/depression. These are screened by the number of positive responses in each of the segments separated by the “squares.” The specific item sets and numbers of positives required for each co-morbid symptom screen set are detailed below.

The second section of the scale has a set of performance measures, scored 1 to 5, with 4 and 5 being somewhat of a problem/problematic. To meet criteria for ADHD there must be at least one item of the Performance set in which the child scores a 4 or 5; ie, there must be impairment, not just symptoms to meet diagnostic criteria. The sheet has a place to record the number of positives (4s, 5s) and an Average Performance Score—add them up and divide by number of Performance criteria answered.

Parent Assessment Scale	Teacher Assessment Scale
<p><b>Predominantly Inattentive subtype</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Must score a 2 or 3 on 6 out of 9 items on questions 1–9 <b>AND</b></li> <li>■ Score a 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 48–55</li> </ul> <p><b>Predominantly Hyperactive/Impulsive subtype</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Must score a 2 or 3 on 6 out of 9 items on questions 10–18 <b>AND</b></li> <li>■ Score a 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 48–55</li> </ul> <p><b>ADHD Combined Inattention/Hyperactivity</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Requires the above criteria on both inattention and hyperactivity/impulsivity</li> </ul> <p><b>Oppositional-Defiant Disorder Screen</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Must score a 2 or 3 on 4 out of 8 behaviors on questions 19–26 <b>AND</b></li> <li>■ Score a 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 48–55</li> </ul> <p><b>Conduct Disorder Screen</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Must score a 2 or 3 on 3 out of 14 behaviors on questions 27–40 <b>AND</b></li> <li>■ Score a 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 48–55</li> </ul> <p><b>Anxiety/Depression Screen</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Must score a 2 or 3 on 3 out of 7 behaviors on questions 41–47 <b>AND</b></li> <li>■ Score a 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 48–55</li> </ul>	<p><b>Predominantly Inattentive subtype</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Must score a 2 or 3 on 6 out of 9 items on questions 1–9 <b>AND</b></li> <li>■ Score a 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 36–43</li> </ul> <p><b>Predominantly Hyperactive/Impulsive subtype</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Must score a 2 or 3 on 6 out of 9 items on questions 10–18 <b>AND</b></li> <li>■ Score a 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 36–43</li> </ul> <p><b>ADHD Combined Inattention/Hyperactivity</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Requires the above criteria on both inattention and hyperactivity/impulsivity</li> </ul> <p><b>Oppositional-Defiant/Conduct Disorder Screen</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Must score a 2 or 3 on 3 out of 10 items on questions 19–28 <b>AND</b></li> <li>■ Score a 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 36–43</li> </ul> <p><b>Anxiety/Depression Screen</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Must score a 2 or 3 on 3 out of 7 items on questions 29–35 <b>AND</b></li> <li>■ Score a 4 or 5 on any of the Performance questions 36–43</li> </ul>

The parent and teacher follow-up scales have the first 18 core ADHD symptoms, not the co-morbid symptoms. The section segment has the same Performance items and impairment assessment as the initial scales, and then has a side-effect reporting scale that can be used to both assess and monitor the presence of adverse reactions to medications prescribed, if any.

Scoring the follow-up scales involves only calculating a total symptom score for items 1–18 that can be tracked over time, and

the average of the Performance items answered as measures of improvement over time with treatment.

**Parent Assessment Follow-up**

- Calculate Total Symptom Score for questions 1–18.
- Calculate Average Performance Score for questions 19–26.

**Teacher Assessment Follow-up**

- Calculate Total Symptom Score for questions 1–18.
- Calculate Average Performance Score for questions 19–26.

# SCORING

# ADHD Medication Flow Chart

for Children  $\geq$  6 Years Old

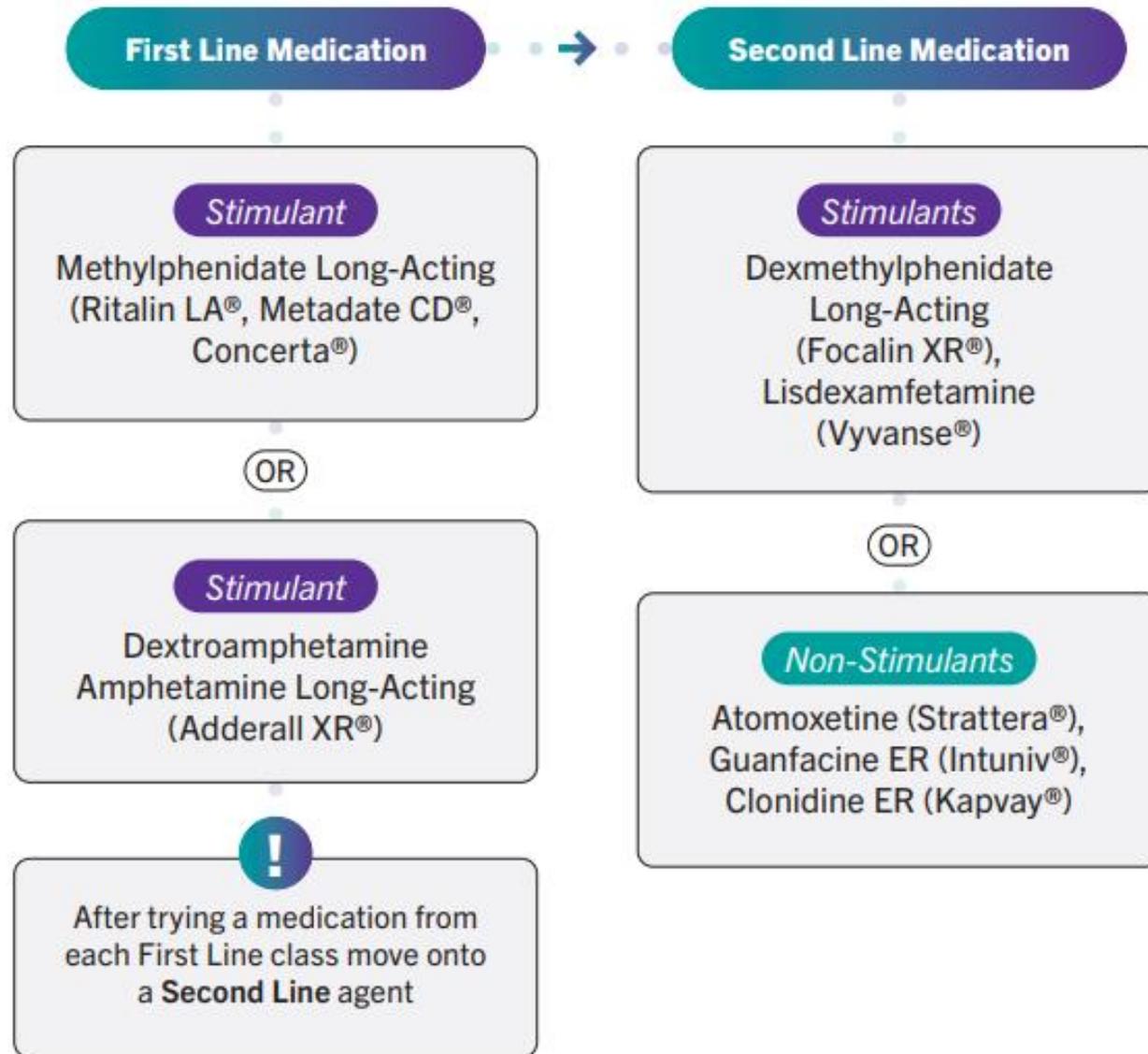
**Start with a first line medication, either from the methylphenidate or dextroamphetamine-amphetamine class.**

- ! Start at minimum dose and titrate up every two weeks until you reach the average effective dose.
- ! Maximize dosing of one agent before moving to the next. If ineffective or side effects develop then move to second line medication if needed.
- ! Long acting medications are preferred for school-age children. An immediate release formulation can be added in the afternoon if needed for increased duration.

## Screening Tools

- Vanderbilt Assessment Scales is most commonly used to diagnose children 6-12 years old.
  - Parent rating in office plus copy for teacher(s) to complete
- Use and Interpretation of Vanderbilt Score

Need to monitor weight & BP




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- [Medicaid Preferred Drug List](#)

Also information for pts <6 y/o

Drug Name & Class	Starting Dose Daily	Average Effective Dose	Max Dose Daily	Formulations	Clinical Pearls
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**First Line**

Methylphenidate <b>Long-Acting</b> (Ritalin LA®)  <i>Stimulant</i>	10-20 mg	1-2 mg/kg	60 mg	Capsules can be opened and sprinkled	Duration 8-10 hours 10 mg strength is not available generically
Methylphenidate <b>Long-Acting</b> (Metadate CD®)  <i>Stimulant</i>	10-20 mg	1-2 mg/kg	60 mg	Capsules can be opened and sprinkled	Duration 8-10 hours
Methylphenidate <b>Long-Acting</b> (Concerta®)  <i>Stimulant</i>	18 mg	1-2 mg/kg	54 mg (<13y) 72 mg (≥13y)	Tablet cannot be crushed	Duration 10-12 hours May cause skin irritation
Dextroamphetamine Amphetamine <b>Long-Acting</b> (Adderall XR®)  <i>Stimulant</i>	5-10 mg	0.5 mg/kg	40 mg	Capsules can be opened and sprinkled	Duration 10-12 hours

## Second Line

Dexmethylphenidate  
**Long-Acting**  
(Focalin XR®)

*Stimulant*

5 mg

0.5-1 mg/kg

30 mg

Capsules can  
be opened and  
sprinkled

Duration 10-12 hours  
When switching from methylphenidate, reduce dose by half  
25 mg & 35 mg strengths are not yet available generically

Lisdexamfetamine  
(Vyvanse®)

*Stimulant*

20 mg

1-2 mg/kg

70 mg

Can be opened and  
dissolved in liquid;  
also comes in  
chewable form

Duration 10-12 hours

Atomoxetine  
(Strattera®)

*Non-Stimulant*

0.5 mg/kg

1.4 mg/kg  
100 mg

Cannot be opened  
or crushed

Must be taken daily  
Start at minimum dose and  
titrate up every three to four  
weeks until you reach the  
average effective dose

Guanfacine  
(Tenex®)

*Non-Stimulant*

0.5 mg

4 mg

No formulations  
specified

Taper when discontinuing

Guanfacine ER  
(Intuniv®)

*Non-Stimulant*

1 mg

4 mg

Tablet cannot be  
opened or crushed

Must be taken daily  
Taper when discontinuing  
1mg intuniv = 0.66 guanfacine IR

# ANXIETY

- Ages 8+

- Plan:

Psychology referral – (CBT) Cognitive Behavioral Therapy

If severe in combo with CBT Rx SSRI

## GAD-7 Anxiety

Over the last two weeks, how often have you been bothered by the following problems?	Not at all	Several days	More than half the days	Nearly every day
1. Feeling nervous, anxious, or on edge	0	1	2	3
2. Not being able to stop or control worrying	0	1	2	3
3. Worrying too much about different things	0	1	2	3
4. Trouble relaxing	0	1	2	3
5. Being so restless that it is hard to sit still	0	1	2	3
6. Becoming easily annoyed or irritable	0	1	2	3
7. Feeling afraid, as if something awful might happen	0	1	2	3

Column totals \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_ =

Total score \_\_\_\_\_

If you checked any problems, how difficult have they made it for you to do your work, take care of things at home, or get along with other people?

Not difficult at all	Somewhat difficult	Very difficult	Extremely difficult
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Source: Primary Care Evaluation of Mental Disorders Patient Health Questionnaire (PRIME-MD-PHQ). The PHQ was developed by Drs. Robert L. Spitzer, Janet B.W. Williams, Kurt Kroenke, and colleagues. For research information, contact Dr. Spitzer at [rs8@columbia.edu](mailto:rs8@columbia.edu). PRIME-MD® is a trademark of Pfizer Inc. Copyright© 1999 Pfizer Inc. All rights reserved. Reproduced with permission

## Scoring GAD-7 Anxiety Severity

This is calculated by assigning scores of 0, 1, 2, and 3 to the response categories, respectively, of "not at all," "several days," "more than half the days," and "nearly every day." GAD-7 total score for the seven items ranges from 0 to 21.

0–4: minimal anxiety

5–9: mild anxiety

10–14: moderate anxiety

15–21: severe anxiety

**H** **HOME:** who lives at home? What are the relationships like? Divorce?

**E** **EDUCATION:** going to school? Stress of exams/grades? Friends? Bullying?

**E** **EATING:** stress from eating habits, weight or body shape change?

**A** **ACTIVITIES:** any hobbies? Meet with friends? Time spent on internet/TV?

**D** **DRUGS:** do you, friends or family use tobacco, alcohol or drugs?

**S** **SEXUALITY:** previous or current relationship? Sexual orientation?

**S** **SUICIDE:** sad? Stressed? Previous or current thoughts? Medication? DSH?

**S** **SAFETY:** aware of any risk-taking? Violence at home or school?

<https://teachmepaediatrics.com/community/holistic-care/headsss-assessment/>

## Safety and abuse

It may not be necessary to ask every young person but is particularly important in cases of self-harm or substance misuse.

Example questions:

- Do you ever feel unsafe?
- Is there anyone in your life that you don't feel safe around?
- Is anyone doing things to you that you don't want them to? What sort of things?
- Does anyone put pressure on you to do things you don't want to do?
- Is there anyone you can talk to about these things?



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All pediatric patients > 11 years should be asked the following:

1. Which social media sites and/or apps do you regularly use?
2. How long do you spend on social media sites and/or applications in a typical day?
  - Concerning response: > 120 min per day.
  - *Practical tip: most smartphones track the total time spent in each application. Ask the patient if they would be willing to follow these instructions to get a more accurate response.*
    - *iOS instructions: Settings-> Battery-> clock icon-> scroll down to "Battery Usage". May also download the applications listed below from the App Store.*
    - *Android instructions: will need to download an application that tracks usage. Free options in the Google Play store include QualityTime, BreakFree, and Checky.*
3. Do you think you use social media too much?
  - *If yes, ask if they have tried any strategies to remedy it.*
4. Does viewing social media increase or decrease your self-confidence?
5. Have you personally experienced cyberbullying, sexting, or an online user asking to have sexual relations with you?
  - *Depending on the patient, the clinician may need to describe what these are.*

**Figure Legend:**

HEADSSS-"S": social media extension.

# ADOLESCENT VISITS:

-PHQ-Adolescent - depression

Provisional Diagnosis and Proposed Treatment Actions		
PHQ-9 Score	Depression Severity	Proposed Treatment Actions
0 - 4	None-minimal	None
5 - 9	Mild	Watchful waiting; repeat PHQ-9 at follow-up
10 - 14	Moderate	Treatment plan, considering counseling, follow-up and/or pharmacotherapy
15 - 19	Moderately Severe	Active treatment with pharmacotherapy and/or psychotherapy
20 - 27	Severe	Immediate initiation of pharmacotherapy and, if severe impairment or poor response to therapy, expedited referral to a mental health specialist for psychotherapy and/or collaborative management

## PHQ-9 modified for Adolescents (PHQ-A)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Clinician: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** How often have you been bothered by each of the following symptoms during the past **two weeks**? For each symptom put an "X" in the box beneath the answer that best describes how you have been feeling.

	(0) Not at all	(1) Several days	(2) More than half the days	(3) Nearly every day
1. Feeling down, depressed, irritable, or hopeless?				
2. Little interest or pleasure in doing things?				
3. Trouble falling asleep, staying asleep, or sleeping too much?				
4. Poor appetite, weight loss, or overeating?				
5. Feeling tired, or having little energy?				
6. Feeling bad about yourself – or feeling that you are a failure, or that you have let yourself or your family down?				
7. Trouble concentrating on things like school work, reading, or watching TV?				
8. Moving or speaking so slowly that other people could have noticed?  Or the opposite – being so fidgety or restless that you were moving around a lot more than usual?				
9. Thoughts that you would be better off dead, or of hurting yourself in some way?				

In the **past year** have you felt depressed or sad most days, even if you felt okay sometimes?  
 Yes       No

If you are experiencing any of the problems on this form, how **difficult** have these problems made it for you to do your work, take care of things at home or get along with other people?  
 Not difficult at all     Somewhat difficult     Very difficult     Extremely difficult

Has there been a time in the **past month** when you have had serious thoughts about ending your life?  
 Yes       No

Have you **EVER**, in your WHOLE LIFE, tried to kill yourself or made a suicide attempt?  
 Yes       No

*\*\*If you have had thoughts that you would be better off dead or of hurting yourself in some way, please discuss this with your Health Care Clinician, go to a hospital emergency room or call 911.*

**Office use only:** Severity score: \_\_\_\_\_

Modified with permission from the PHQ (Spitzer, Williams & Kroenke, 1999) by J. Johnson (Johnson, 2002)

# Anxiety and Depression Medication Flow Chart

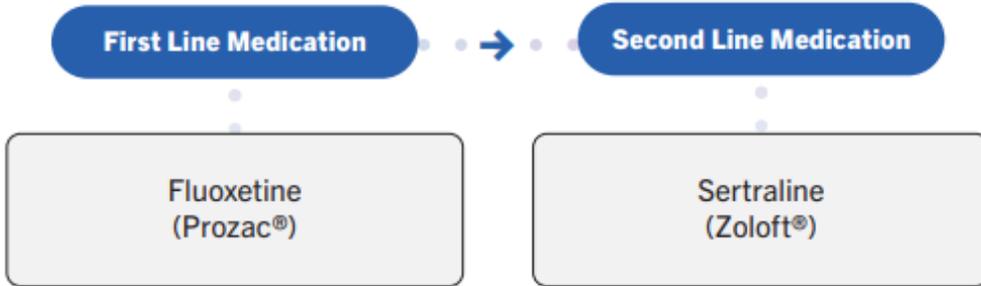
## for Children $\geq$ 6 Years Old

- ! Start at minimum dose and titrate up every three to four weeks until you reach the average effective dose.
- ! Assess response to SSRI in two to three weeks.
- ! On average, a higher dose is needed to effectively treat anxiety than is required for depression.

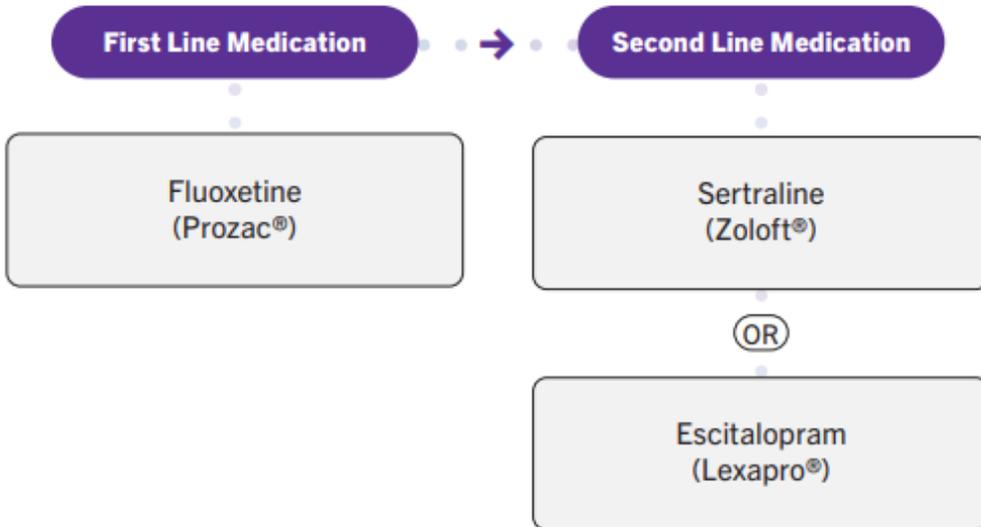
### Screening Tools

- Depression: PHQ-9A and Columbia Suicide Severity Rating or Ask Suicide Screening
- Anxiety: SCARED-C/SCARED-P or GAD-7

## Anxiety Disorders



## Depression



Scan the QR code or click the following links for additional information:

- [KER Unit Depression Medication Choice Tool](#)
- [Medicaid Preferred Drug List](#)

**Drug Name  
& Class**

**Starting  
Dose Daily**

**Average  
Effective Dose**

**Max  
Dose Daily**

**Formulations**

**Clinical Pearls**

**First Line for Anxiety**

Fluoxetine  
(Prozac®)

5-10 mg

20-40 mg

60 mg

Tablet, capsule,  
or liquid.

Good with adherence issues  
due to half-life. Slow onset.

**Second Line for Anxiety**

Sertraline  
(Zoloft®)

12.5-25 mg

50-100 mg

200 mg

Tablet or liquid.

Fewer interactions.  
CYP450 and CYP2D6.

## First Line for Depression

Fluoxetine  
(Prozac®)

5-10 mg

20-40 mg

60 mg

Tablet, capsule,  
or liquid.

Good with adherence issues  
due to half-life. Slow onset.

## Second Line for Depression

Sertraline  
(Zoloft®)

12.5-25 mg

50-100 mg

200 mg

Tablet or liquid.

Fewer interactions.  
CYP450 and CYP2D6.

Escitalopram  
(Lexapro®)

2.5 mg

10-20 mg

20 mg

Tablet or liquid.

Can be sedating. Mild  
QTc prolong. CYP450 and  
CYP2D6.

# FINAL TIPS & TAKEAWAYS

- Can use any screening tool as long as you use it!

**Clinicians should be alert to the loss of previously acquired abilities or skills, such as vision, language, hearing, hand use, ambulation, or mood regulation!**

The term “neurodegenerative disorders” covers a broad range of genetic, metabolic, and neurological syndromes that affect the brain. The child can be symptomatic from birth or can acquire symptoms later in life. By definition, neurodegenerative disorders include a *progressive decline in functioning*.

- Always listen to the parents’ concerns
- Speak to adolescents without parents in room





**THANK  
YOU!**

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