

Early Childhood Mental Health Assessment Instruments



These assessment instruments measure general child symptoms and strengths. ECLIPSE contractors are not limited to using these assessments. This is a list of potential assessments that can be used by contractors.

Name of Instrument	Child Age Range and Focus	Research/Evidence-Based/Promising Practice
<u>Behavior Assessment System for Children, Third Edition (BASC-3) Preschool</u>	Age Range: 2-5 years <i>Focus: Analyzes child's behavior from three perspectives: Self, Parent, and Teacher. Includes structured developmental history questionnaire that supplies a format to review social, psychological, developmental, educational, and medical information on child.</i>	Evidence-Based
<u>DECA-C Clinical Assessment</u>	Age Range: 2-5 years <i>Focus: Completed by parents/guardians and teacher, the DECA-C assess aggression, attention problems, emotional control problems, and withdrawal/depression, in addition to attachment/relationships, initiative, and self-control.</i>	Research-Based and Evidence Strengthens-Based Assessment
<u>Infant Toddlers Social-Emotional Assessment (ITSEA)</u>	Age Range: 12-36 months <i>Focus: To assess social-emotional and behavior problems as well as delays or deficits in the acquisition of competencies.</i>	Research-Based
<u>Preschool Child Behavior Checklist (CBCL)</u>	Age Range: 1.5-5 years <i>Focus: To assess behavioral and emotional problems in children including anxiety, depression, and aggression.</i>	Research-Based



Assessment Tools Focused on the Parent-Child Relationship

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<u>Dyadic Parent and Child Interaction Coding System (DPICS) Tools</u>	Age Range: 2-7 years <i>Focus: Behavioral coding system that measures the quality of parent-child interactions (PCIT).</i>	Research-Based
<u>Eyberg Child Behavior Inventory (ECBI)</u>	Age Range: 2-7 years <i>Focus: Parent rating scale to measure disruptive behavior problems in children aged 2 to 16 years.</i>	Research-Based
<u>Parenting Interactions with /Children: Checklists of Observations Linked to Outcomes (PICCOLO)</u>	Age Range: 10-47 months <i>Focus: To assess parenting behavior in four domains; (affection, responsiveness, encouragement, and teaching).</i>	Research-Based