



FRC Intake Interview Guidelines

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of the FIRST 5 Santa Clara County (F5SCC) Evaluation is to describe the impact of F5SCC investments on the development and well-being of young children and their families. To gauge how F5SCC programs are meeting the needs of the county's population and to understand ways we can improve access to services across the county, F5SCC requests that families who receive a sustained amount of FRC services participate in interviews that provide an important set of demographic and indicator information. Intake Interviews will be administered by FRC service providers with families served at program entry. Follow-up Interviews will be administered by SRI to selected families in each region.

Information collected during Intake and Follow-up Interviews will allow F5SCC to examine the characteristics and outcomes of participants receiving FRC services. This information will be combined into countywide and region-specific data reports. Reports will not include individual level information, ensuring an individual participant's identity is kept confidential.

II. PROCESS & TIMELINE

In general, the following timeline should be followed:

- Step 1: Explain the purpose of the interview/data collection.**
- Step 2: Obtain consent to participate in the evaluation.**
- Step 3: Administer the Intake Interview (once) upon enrollment in FRC workshop series or developmental screening.**
- Step 4: Submit interviews to your supervisor.**

Use the talking points provided in the section below (III. Consent) to help you explain the purpose of the interviews and the consent process.

III. CONSENT

F5SCC programs must use the FIRST 5 *Acknowledgment and Consent* form in order to collect, use, or share participants' personal information with F5SCC and its evaluators.

The consent form provides parents and guardians with information regarding the purposes and limits of data sharing. It outlines the specific information for which the participant is authorizing release. It is the service provider's responsibility to ensure that the parent/guardian understands the consent form. Parents can provide permission to authorize release of confidential information if their child/children are participants. Parents also authorize consent for themselves. If the parent/guardian cannot read in the languages in which the form is available (English, Spanish, or Vietnamese), the service provider should explore other options such as explaining the form aloud or using an interpreter.

If the parent/guardian already signed an *Acknowledgment and Consent* form to receive Associate/Community Worker services, FRC staff should have the parent/guardian sign the consent again. The data being asked of them as an FRC participant is more extensive than the data collected by the Associate/Community Worker

Talking Points

Follow the steps below and use the talking points provided to explain the interviews and consent.

- Step 1: Explain the purpose of the interview/data collection.** We suggest you include the following points:
 - ❖ The purpose of the data collection is to describe the children and families participating in F5SCC services, to gauge how F5SCC programs are serving families in the county, and to understand ways F5SCC can improve services across the county.

- ❖ By completing the interview, parents are helping F5SCC learn more about how First 5 California dollars are being spent and helping to ensure that F5SCC will be able to continue to provide services in the future.

Step 2: Explain the consent form and how confidentiality of data will be assured. We suggest you include the following points:

- ❖ All participants have the right to confidentiality.
 - It is against the law to share information without the participant's authorization.
 - Reports will never include personal information.
 - Only authorized program and evaluation staff will see the participant's information.
 - Program staff will not share the participant's information with government agencies unless the law requires it. (This might be required if program staff believe that someone is in danger.)
- ❖ Participants do not have to share their information if they do not want to.
- ❖ Participants can receive services even if they do not consent to participate in the evaluation.
- ❖ Even if they initially agree to provide and share information, participants can always change their minds and have their information removed from the evaluation database.

Step 3: Explain the participant's right to revoke consent and how to request removal of information from the evaluation.

- ❖ A signed consent form will remain in effect for 10 years.
- ❖ All identifying information can be removed from the evaluation database at the request of a parent/guardian at any time.
- ❖ Written consent/authorization may be revoked anytime by (1) the parent/guardian or other legally authorized person, or (2) the participant, once the participant is legally able to do so (usually 18 years of age).
- ❖ To revoke the consent/authorization and to remove participant information from the evaluation database, the participant or parent/guardian should submit a letter to:

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Step 4: Ensure that the participant signs the consent form.

- ❖ Only the child's legal guardians (or emancipated minors) can sign the consent form.
- ❖ The consent form provides signature lines for multiple parents to sign. Only one parent needs to sign the consent form.
- ❖ If the service provider is uncertain of the parents'/guardians' ability to adequately understand and make decisions about their families' participation in the F5SCC evaluation, the service provider should not ask the parent/guardian to sign any forms.
- ❖ Offer to provide a copy of the signed consent forms to the participant (or his or her parent/guardian). Keep the original forms to submit to F5SCC.

- ❖ If a parent does not sign the consent form, he/she may still receive FRC services and support. Please document service delivery information using the “LTI Community Event or Drop-in Services” form.

IV. COMPLETING THE INTAKE INTERVIEW

The Intake Interview contains multiple sections including a consent form (page 1), family information (pages 3-4), and individual child information (pages 5–6). Multiple child information pages should be completed for each child under the age of 6 who is receiving or benefiting from FRC services and support. (Make copies of pages 5-6 for each child).

The service provider should complete an Intake Interview with each family served upon enrollment in FRC workshops or developmental screening. If information about the client and family is available, **service providers are strongly encouraged to complete as much of page 3 as possible prior to administering the interview with the parent.** Additionally, if the service provider completed a developmental screening on the focus child, ASQ and ASQ:SE scores should be recorded on a separate ASQ form.

The service provider should individually administer the interview questions (on pages 3–6) verbally and in person with the parent/guardian of the child. **Intake Interview forms should not be handed out to parents/guardians to complete on their own.** When conducting the interview, the service provider should read each question aloud, wait for the participant to respond, and mark the correct response on form. Item-by-item directions are provided in Section VI of this document.

If the participant receiving services is a prenatal mother who has no other young children (under age 6) in the family benefitting from the services, the service provider should complete only the relevant family demographic information on pages 3–4 and enter the data into the LTI database. If the mother continues to receive FRC service after the child is born, complete the rest of the Intake Interview form (pages 5-6), including the child information pages, when the child is about 4 weeks old. If the mother does not continue to receive FRC services after the child is born, the service provider should enter a note in the Service Log Notes sections of the LTI database explaining the participant was a prenatal participant and discontinued services. If at a later date, this family returns for services, a new intake should be completed in its entirety. The child(ren)’s information can be added to the existing record in the LTI database.

The service provider should remind participants that completing the Intake Interview is voluntary. F5SCC is requesting that participants complete the entire interview, but participants can decline to answer any question. The service provider should remind the participant that the information will be shared only with authorized program staff, and no identifying information will be presented in reports.

When the interview is complete, service providers (or appointed staff) should enter data into the LTI database.

Important Notes:



- ❖ **Only one family section of the intake interview should be completed per family.**
- ❖ **The parent should complete child information interviews for all children under the age 6 in the family. (Make copies of pages 5-6 for each child under the age of 6 in the family).**

VI. ITEM-BY-ITEM INSTRUCTIONS

The next section provides item-by-item instructions and clarifications. Where appropriate, additional information is provided should a participant request further explanation of a particular item.

FRC Intake Interview Instructions

Parent and Caregiver Demographic Information: Pre-fill if possible	
Date form completed: MM /DD/YYYY	Instructions: Enter date that the interview was conducted, including month, day, and four-digit year
Caregiver's first name:	Instructions: Enter the caregiver's first name. Question Clarification: The caregiver's complete first legal name (e.g., Guadalupe or Thomas) should be used, as opposed to a partial first name or nickname (e.g., Lupe or Tom).
Caregiver's middle name:	Instructions: Enter the caregiver's middle name. Question Clarification: This question is optional and may be left unanswered.
Caregiver's last name:	Instructions: Enter the caregiver's last name. Question Clarification: If the caregiver uses a hyphenated last name, print both names with the hyphen. If the child uses more than one last name and it is NOT hyphenated, enter only the last name in the sequence (e.g., Julio Rodriguez Sanchez's last name would be entered as "Sanchez").
Date of Birth: MM/DD/YYYY	Instructions: Enter the caregiver's date of birth, including month, day, and four-digit year.
Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Transgender	Instructions: Mark the appropriate box indicating the gender as perceived by the caregiver. Question Clarification: If the caregiver discloses he/she is are transgender, check the box.
Address, City, Zip Code:	Instructions: Enter address, city, and zip code of caregiver's primary home address. Question Clarification: If a caregiver is homeless, indicate the zip code as 99999.
Phone and Alternative Phone Number:	Instructions: Enter the phone and alternative phone number of the caregiver. Question Clarification: Alternative phone number is optional and may be left unanswered.
E-mail address:	Instructions: Enter the caregiver's e-mail address. Question Clarification: E-mail address is optional and may be left unanswered.
Primary Language: <i>(check only one.)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish <input type="checkbox"/> Cantonese <input type="checkbox"/> Mandarin <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnamese <input type="checkbox"/> Korean <input type="checkbox"/> Khmer <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	Instructions: Mark the appropriate box indicating the caregiver's primary language spoken at home. If the parent uses two languages equally in the home, mark two boxes. Question Clarification: If the participant speaks a language not provided on the list, mark "Other" and write the participant's primary language in the space provided.
Race/Ethnicity: <i>(check all that apply.)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Alaskan Native or American Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Multiracial <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Black/African American <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	Instructions: Mark the appropriate box(es) indicating the race/ethnicity of the caregiver. Mark all that apply. Question Clarification: If the participant identifies with an ethnicity not provided, mark "Other" and write the participant's race/ethnicity in the space provided.
Relationship to child: <i>(check one only.)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Mother (birth, adoptive, step, foster) <input type="checkbox"/> Other female guardian (e.g., grandmother, aunt) <input type="checkbox"/> Father (birth, adoptive, step, foster) <input type="checkbox"/> Other male guardian (grandfather, uncle) <input type="checkbox"/> Other non-relative	Instructions: Mark the appropriate box(es) indicating the relationship of the caregiver to the child. Mark only one.

GENERAL FAMILY INFORMATION

Interview Questions: This section is to be completed by the service provider while interviewing the caregiver. *Note: When conducting the interviews, read questions aloud to the parent/caregiver.*

Sample Introduction: We are asking families in FIRST 5 programs to complete an interview. Your answers will help us to serve you and others in the community better. You do not have to complete this interview, and you can choose not to answer any question. We are here to help you if you do not understand a question.

<p>1. What is closest to your family's total income last year? <i>(check only one)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> \$5,000 or less <input type="checkbox"/> \$5,001 - \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,001 - \$20,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$20,001 - \$30,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$30,001 - \$40,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$40,001 - \$50,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,001 and above <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Unknown/Declined</i> 	<p>Instructions: Read question only. Based on participant's response, mark the appropriate box indicating the family pre-taxed income level for the last 12 months. <i>Note: if the participant has trouble estimating for the past 12 months, it is acceptable for the participant to report income from their last tax return.</i></p> <p>Question Clarification: Include the income of all household family members, including those who are related to the parent/caregiver by birth, marriage, or adoption. If the family shares the home with non-family members, do not include those members' wages. This is the definition of family used by the U.S. Census. Include in the total wage or salary income (before taxes); self-employment income; interest/dividends, net rental or royalty income; income from estates/trusts; Social Security income; Supplemental Security Income; public assistance or welfare payments; retirement, survivor, or disability pensions; and all other income.</p> <p>Rationale: Data on the median household income combined with the number of people living in the household are used to calculate whether families are living below, at, or above the federal poverty level. Poverty and its associated conditions can have significant negative effects on children's development and well-being, particularly in early childhood. These data will be used in combination with the number of family members from Question 2 to calculate poverty status using the methodology from the U.S. Census.</p>
<p>2. How many total family members live with you?</p> <p>Number of children ages 0-5: _____</p> <p>Number of children ages 6-18: _____</p> <p>Number of adults: ____</p>	<p>Instructions: Read question only. Enter the number of children in the household between the ages of 0-5 and 6-18, and the number of adults in the household (including interviewee). This question refers only to children and adults living in the home of the interviewee.</p> <p>Question Clarification: Family members in the household are those who are related to the parent/caregiver by birth, marriage, or adoption. If the family shares the home with non-family members, do not include those people in the count. This is the definition of family used by the U.S. Census.</p> <p>Rationale: Data on the median household income combined with the number of people living in the household are used to calculate whether families are living below, at, or above the federal poverty level. Poverty and its associated conditions can have significant negative effects on children's development and well-being, particularly in early childhood.</p>

3. In the past 3 months, how much have you been concerned about ...?

	Not Concerned	A little concerned	Concerned
a) Having enough food.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Having housing you can afford.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Having enough money or a good job.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Feeling unsafe or threatened by someone in your home.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Someone in your close family having a drug or alcohol problem.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f) Feeling sad or depressed.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Instructions: Read each question and all response options. Read questions 3a–f one at a time, allowing the caregiver to answer each one before proceeding. Mark the box indicating the appropriate response for each question.

Question Clarification: This question requests the parent’s opinion about concerns they may have for themselves or their family. If the parent declines to answer a question, leave the item blank.

Rationale: Parental (e.g., substance abuse, mental health problems, domestic violence) and environmental risk factors (e.g., poverty, homelessness, isolation) can have significant negative effects on children’s development, health, behavior, and well-being. Having an untreated mental health or substance abuse issue increases the likelihood that parents will have poor parenting skills, such as less frequent cognitively-stimulating and supportive interactions with their children.

4. In the past 3 months, how much do you agree with the following statements?

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a) I can get the services my family needs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) I feel connected to my community.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) I have people in my community I can turn to for support.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Instructions: Read each question and all response options. Read questions 4a–c one at a time, allowing the parent/guardian to answer each one before proceeding. Mark the box indicating the appropriate response for each question.

Question Clarification: These questions refer to the participant’s perception of social support and connection to the community, including access to community services. A parent’s sense of belonging is defined as the degree to which they feel as though characteristics of their neighborhood or community (e.g., friends, neighbors, places of worship) add to their sense of connectedness to the community.

Rationale: Having a social support system and sense of belonging to the community can reduced parent-child stress, increase levels of cognitive stimulation in the home, increase the frequency of developmentally appropriate parenting behaviors (less abuse / neglect), lessen parental symptoms of depression, and increase the frequency of positive youth behavior (e.g., less involvement with drugs and crime as adolescents).

<p>5. What is the highest grade of schooling that you completed? <i>(check one only)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Some grade school or high school <input type="checkbox"/> High school diploma/GED <input type="checkbox"/> Associate degree or technical degree <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor degree <input type="checkbox"/> Master, Doctorate or degree <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Unknown/Declined 	<p>Instructions: Read question only. Based on participant's response, mark the appropriate box.</p> <p>Rationale: Children with more highly educated parents are more likely to have access to a greater amount of resources. In addition, parental educational attainment is strongly associated with children's increased school readiness and improved educational achievement. Higher levels of parent education are also strongly associated with improved health and health-related behaviors for both parents and children.</p>
<p>6. What is your current employment status? <i>(check one only)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Full-time <input type="checkbox"/> Part-time <input type="checkbox"/> Unemployed <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Declined 	<p>Instructions: Read question only. Based on participant's response, mark the appropriate box.</p> <p>Question Clarification: Include as "full or part-time" employed (as applicable) those participants who are employed but currently on strike, on vacation, not working due to sickness or injury, on maternity or family leave, and/or self-employed. Include as "unemployed" those participants who do not have an employer (e.g., are students) and/or who are retired, laid off, an unpaid worker (e.g., volunteer), and/or on disability.</p> <p>Rationale: Children with parents who are employed are more likely to have access to a greater amount of resources.</p>
<p>7. What is your current marital status? <i>(check one only)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Never married <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated/Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Declined 	<p>Instructions: Read question only. Mark the appropriate box indicating the marital status of the caregiver responding to this interview.</p> <p>Rationale: Children in single-parent homes tend to receive lower levels of parental supervision, and over one third of all single-parent families headed by an unmarried mother live in poverty.</p>
<p>8. In the past 3 months, how often did you volunteer in ways to improve your community? <i>(Such as working with religious, political, school, or community groups).</i> <i>(check one only)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> 1 or 2 times <input type="checkbox"/> 3 to 6 times <input type="checkbox"/> More than 6 times <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know/Declined 	<p>Instructions: Read question only. Based on participant's response, mark the appropriate box.</p> <p>Question Clarification: This question refers to the civic engagement of the parent/guardian in decision-making, planning, or activities that improve the conditions of the community for children and families.</p> <p>Rationale: Parents who are engaged in community action and advocacy can help to identify needs and effective solutions for their family and their community. When local residents are involved in community development, programs are more often tailored to community needs, parents and professionals build stronger partnerships, and parent isolation is diminished, leading to better child and family outcomes.</p>
<p>9. How did you hear about the Family Resource Center? <i>(check all that apply)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> FIRST 5 Community Worker <input type="checkbox"/> Friend/family <input type="checkbox"/> Brochure/flier <input type="checkbox"/> School <input type="checkbox"/> Website/newspaper <input type="checkbox"/> Radio/TV <input type="checkbox"/> Walk-in/self <input type="checkbox"/> Other 	<p>Instructions: Read question only. Based on participant's response, mark the appropriate box.</p> <p>Question Clarification: This question refers to how the family heard about the Family Resource Center.</p>

<p>10. Do any of these programs serve you or another family member? <i>(check all that apply)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> None of these programs <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare/CPS services <input type="checkbox"/> Differential Response Program <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health services <input type="checkbox"/> Court programs/workshops <input type="checkbox"/> Early Start/Special Education <input type="checkbox"/> Probation or parole services <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol and Drug services <input type="checkbox"/> Public assistance (e.g., WIC, CalWorks) <input type="checkbox"/> FIRST 5 Home Visitor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ 	<p>Instructions: Read each question and all response options, except first option “None”. Read options one at a time, allowing the parent/guardian to respond to each one before proceeding. Mark the box indicating the appropriate response for each question if the participant affirms that services were received.</p> <p>Question Clarification: This question refers to if any other programs in the County are providing services to the family. See below for examples for some of the services listed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Court programs/workshops: referrals from judges, commissioners, and courts staff of families with children under the age of 6 to FIRST 5 court specialists who are located in the identified courts (e.g., Family Court, Domestic Violence Criminal Court, Juvenile Dependency Court, Family Wellness Court). Services include (but are not limited to) child development assessments, resource and referral, parent education programs (e.g., Parenting Without Violence), supervised visitation, and for those with high-risk needs—home visitation and therapeutic services. • Public Assistance: Includes TANF, Food Stamps, free/reduced cost school breakfast/lunch program, SSI, WIC, CalWorks, and childcare/health insurance assistance (through MediCal or Healthy Families).
<p>11. Did you receive the FIRST 5....? <i>(check all that apply)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Kit for New Parents <input type="checkbox"/> “I’m Ready for Kindergarten” Parent Handbook <input type="checkbox"/> No/Neither 	<p>Instructions: Read question and first 2 response options. If participants responds “no” to both check the “No/Neither” box.</p>

CHILD INFORMATION

Interview Questions: This section is to be completed by the service provider while interviewing the caregiver. Complete a form for each child in the family under the age of 6. Note: When conducting the interviews, read questions aloud to the parent/caregiver. (Make copies of pages 5-6 for each child in the family under 6 years of age).

Date form completed: MM /DD/YYYY	Instructions: Enter date that the interview was conducted, including month, day, and four-digit year
Child's first Name:	Instructions: Enter the child's first name. Question Clarification: The child's first name (e.g., Guadalupe or Thomas) should be used, as opposed to a partial first name or nickname (e.g., Lupe or Tom).
Child's middle Name:	Instructions: Enter the child's middle name. Question Clarification: This question is optional and may be left unanswered.
Child's last Name:	Instructions: Enter the last name of the child. Question Clarification: If the child uses a hyphenated last name, print both names with the hyphen. If the child uses more than one last name and it is NOT hyphenated, enter only the last name in the sequence (e.g., Julio Rodriguez Sanchez's last name would be entered as "Sanchez").
Date of Birth: MM/DD/YYYY	Instructions: Enter the child's date of birth, including month, day, and four-digit year.
Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Instructions: Mark the appropriate box indicating the gender of the child as perceived by the caregiver.
Primary Language: (check one only) <input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish <input type="checkbox"/> Cantonese <input type="checkbox"/> Mandarin <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnamese <input type="checkbox"/> Korean <input type="checkbox"/> Khmer <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	Instructions: Mark the appropriate box indicating the family's primary language spoken at home. If the parent uses two languages equally in the home, mark two boxes. Question Clarification: If the participant speaks a language not provided on the list, mark "Other" and write the participant's language in the space provided. Note, if the child is too young to have determined his/her primary language, check the "Other" box and write in "pre-verbal."
Race/Ethnicity: (check all that apply.) <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Alaskan Native or American Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Multiracial <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Black/African American <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	Instructions: Mark the appropriate box(es) indicating the ethnicity of the child. Mark all that apply. Question Clarification: If the participant identifies with an ethnicity not provided, mark "Other" and write the participant's race/ethnicity in the space provided.

<p>Child's health insurance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Uninsured <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance purchased directly by parent/guardian <input type="checkbox"/> Medi-Cal <input type="checkbox"/> Employer-purchased health insurance <input type="checkbox"/> Healthy Families <input type="checkbox"/> Healthy Kids <input type="checkbox"/> Other or application pending (specify): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Don't know/Declined</i> 	<p>Instructions: Read question only. Definitions are provided for reference only. Based on participant's response, mark the appropriate box. If the parent doesn't know, ask for permission to see their insurance card. If the parent doesn't have an insurance card, mark "Don't know/Declined."</p> <p>Question Clarification: Health insurance refers to any type of assistance received to help pay for the child's medical care.</p> <p>Rationale: Health insurance facilitates access to health care. Children not covered by health insurance are more likely to have gone without needed medical care. Lack of access of health care services may lead to the development of preventable conditions or the worsening of existing conditions. Children who are uninsured are more likely to have health problems that routine health care could either prevent or help to manage.</p> <p>Definitions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uninsured: No health insurance. • Insurance purchased directly by the parent/guardian: Private health insurance purchased by child's parent/guardian. This also includes COBRA (Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act) temporary insurance coverage purchased by the parent/guardian. • Medi-Cal: Pays the cost of medical care for low-income persons, such as the elderly, disabled, and those receiving public assistance and others with limited resources. Medi-Cal eligibility depends primarily on the income and resources a person has. Includes full scope or emergency Medi-Cal. • Employer-purchased health insurance: Health insurance through parents'/guardians' employer. • Healthy Families: Low-cost insurance for children and teens provided by the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP). It provides health, dental and vision coverage to children who do not have insurance and do not qualify for free Medi-Cal. • Healthy Kids: Provides health insurance to eligible children under the age of 19 covering hospital care, doctor visits, immunizations, prescription drugs, dental care, vision care, mental health benefits, and other services. • Other or Application Pending: If a child is covered by an insurance type not listed on the survey form, write in the type of insurance coverage s/he has or if parents/guardians have applied for insurance coverage but are not yet fully covered, write in the type of coverage to which they have an application submitted.
<p>1. In the past 12 months, how many times did this child see a doctor for a "well-child" check-up? A "well-child" check-up is a general check-up when your child is <u>not</u> sick or hurt.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 0 times <input type="checkbox"/> 1 time <input type="checkbox"/> 2-3 times <input type="checkbox"/> 4-5 times <input type="checkbox"/> 6 times or more <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Don't know/Declined</i> 	<p>Instructions: Read question only. Based on participant's response, mark the appropriate box.</p> <p>Question Clarification: "Well-child check-up" is visiting a health care provider when your child is not sick. These visits are sometimes referred to as a general checkup and include a complete health history and a physical exam. They are routine visits.</p> <p>Rationale: Lack of access to a regular medical home or provider for preventive care, such as immunizations, may foster delayed diagnosis of health problems, the development of preventable conditions, or the worsening of existing conditions.</p>

<p>2. In the past 12 months, how many times did you visit the emergency room with this child?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> Once <input type="checkbox"/> 2-3 times <input type="checkbox"/> 4-5 times <input type="checkbox"/> 6 or more times <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Don't know/Declined</i></p>	<p>Instructions: Read question only. Based on participant's response, mark the appropriate box.</p> <p>Question Clarification: This question refers specifically to times when the child is sick or injured.</p> <p>Rationale: Lack of access to a regular medical home or provider for preventive care, such as immunizations, may foster delayed diagnosis of health problems, the development of preventable conditions, or the worsening of existing conditions.</p>																								
<p>3. When did this child last see a dentist or dental hygienist for dental care?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Child is under 1 year of age</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Less than a year ago <input type="checkbox"/> Between 1 to 2 years ago <input type="checkbox"/> 2 years ago or more <input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Don't know/Declined</i></p>	<p>Instructions: Read question only. Based on participant's response, mark the appropriate box. If the child is under 1 year of age mark, "Child is under 1 year of age" and do not ask the question.</p> <p>Question Clarification: This includes routine dental care when the child was not experiencing a specific oral health problem. Routine dental check-ups can include cleanings, X-rays, and fluoride treatments.</p> <p>Rationale: Annual dental exams provide preventive care and facilitate early diagnosis and treatment of oral problems.</p>																								
<p>4. Is there a place or person you usually take this child to be cared for during the day?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Head Start <input type="checkbox"/> Child Care center <input type="checkbox"/> Other preschool program <input type="checkbox"/> Family daycare center <input type="checkbox"/> Relative/neighbor or babysitter <input type="checkbox"/> My child is not cared for by someone else outside of our home (skip to question 5) <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Don't know/Declined</i></p>	<p>Instructions: Read question only (not the portion in italics).</p> <p>Question Clarification: This question refers to both family-based and center-based preschool programs and child care that the child attends on a regular basis.</p> <p>Rationale: Participation in early education programs can help low- and middle-income children prepare for school. Children who participate in preschool or child care the year before entering kindergarten are more successful in kindergarten, first grade, and second grade. Children are more likely to score above average on national standardized tests, less likely to be retained, and less likely to be placed in programs that provide extra services for educationally disadvantaged children.</p>																								
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5. Sometimes parents have concerns about how their child is developing. Do you have any concerns about....?

	Are you...?		
	Not Concerned	Concerned	A Little Concerned
a) Do you have any concerns about how your child talks and makes speech sounds?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Do you have any concerns about how your child understands what you say?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Do you have any concerns about how your child uses his or her arms and legs?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Do you have any concerns about how your child gets along with others?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Instructions: Read questions 5a-d, row by row, and all response options. Mark the box indicating the response for each question. If the parent declines to answer a question, they can leave the item blank. If the parent feels that the question is not applicable to their child due to the child's age, mark "Not Concerned."

Question Clarification: Difficulty with these activities *may* indicate developmental delays or other special needs.

Rationale: Research suggests that there is a strong relationship between parents' concerns and children's developmental status. These items are derived from the Parents' Evaluation of Developmental Status (PEDS) screening test (Glascoe, 2009).

6. In a usual day, how many servings does this child have of...? (Note: only one answer if this child is 1 year of age or older.)

	0	1	2	3	4	5 or more
a) Glasses of milk.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Glasses of soda or other sweetened drinks (fruit punch).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Servings of fruit.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Servings of vegetables.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Servings of sweets (cookies, candy, pastries).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f) Servings of fast foods.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Instructions: Read question only. Based on participant's response, mark the appropriate box. If the child is younger than 1 year of age do not ask the question and leave it blank.

Question Clarification: Obesity is associated with many negative health consequences. A child who is underweight also may suffer many negative health consequences. Both weight and height are used to calculate a child's body mass index (BMI) to determine whether children are over- or underweight for optimal health.

7. What is your child's height? _____

Child's weight: _____

Instructions: Read question only.

Question Clarification: Indicate height and weight without shoes if possible. Enter weight in pounds and height **kilometers**.

Rationale: See above for rationale.

8. In a usual week, how many times does your family do these things with this child?

	Not at All	1-2 times	3-6 times	Every day
a) Color, draw, paint.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Go on outings (to the playground, library, museum).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Read to or show pictures books.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Tell stories or sing songs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Exercise or play sports together.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f) Have a bedtime routine.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Instructions: Read questions only.

Question Clarification: Item (a) refers to activities conducted with the child by anyone in the family that involve using a book. It does not include stories or singing songs without using a book. In item (b), songs can include nursery rhymes, songs from the radio, folk songs, or any type of music with words.

Rationale: Children who are exposed to reading early in their development achieve greater success in school. Recent studies suggest that singing songs with children develops literacy skills, and may be particularly important for families and cultures that do not regularly use written materials. Parent-child activities build positive parent-child relationships and reduce isolation.

9. In a usual day, how often does this child...?

	Never to Not Yet	Sometimes	Often or Always
a) Have a tantrum.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Let you know what he or she needs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Comfort or calm him or himself.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Explore new things.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Get easily distracted.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f) Play well with others.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g) Show an interest in books.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h) Use gestures or words to communicate.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
i) Try to solve problems.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
j) Follow rules and directions.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Instructions: Read question only. Based on participant's response, mark the appropriate box.

Question Clarification: This question refers to children's school readiness skills. Note: Depending on the age and development of the child, some of these skills may not be expected to be achieved.

Rationale: School readiness is important because children whose knowledge and skills are far behind those of their classmates enter school at a disadvantage. Investments in children's early development can help them enter school ready to engage in learning and relationships.