SAFE CHild Screening Tool: Birth to 3-year-olds

Young children are at high risk for sustaining brain injuries. The SAFE CHild Screening tool provides information to help professionals develop and implement appropriate accommodations or services.

Completing this form will not diagnose your child with a brain injury. If you have concerns about your child, contact your physician or an educator.

Child's Name		Child's Date of Birth:		Today's Date:		
Your relationship to child: My child is receiving early intervention services through my school district. □ Yes □ No My child's disability is:				Child's gender: □ Male □ Female		
Child's race: □ African American □ Caucasian □ Asian □ Hispanic □ Native American □ Other						
Sickness	Has your child ever had a seizure, high fever (greater than 104 degrees), infection of the brain or spinal cord (e.g., meningitis or encephalitis), or other serious illness affecting the brain?				☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, how many times?	
A ccidents	Has your child ever: been in a car accident? experienced a near drowning or suffocation? stopped breathing for one minute or longer? been exposed to a toxin (e.g., lead, carbon monoxide)? Yes No or sustained a blow to the head?			☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, how many times?		
F alls	Has your child ever had a substantial fall resulting in a blow to the head (e.g., down stairs, off a changing table, from playground equipment, while climbing, or when riding a tricycle/scooter)?			☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, how many times?		
<i>E</i> mergency Room	Has your child ever needed emergency medical attention because of a loss of consciousness or blow to the head?			☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, how many times?		
	What is the total number of possible injuries for your child?			Total:		
<i>CH</i> ild Behaviors	If you answered YES to any of the above questions, have you noticed any of the following behaviors in your child since the incident? Check all that apply:					
	□ Decreased strength		□ Decreased coordin	ation		
	☐ Decreased sucking/swallow	ving	□ Decreased ability to lift or hold head		hold head	
	□ Decreased smiling/vocalizi	ng	□ Decreased language/communication			
	☐ Decreased tolerance to ligh	t	□ Decreased appetite			
	☐ Frequent rubbing of eyes/he	ead	□ Decreased ability to focus eyes			
	□ Extreme irritability		☐ Unequal size of pupils			
	□ Other					

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