Describing Early Childhood Outcomes

1. Child has positive social relationships		
Involves	 Relating with adults Relating with other children Following rules related to groups or interacting with others 	
Describe how the child	 Demonstrates attachment Initiates & maintains social interactions Behaves in a way that allows them to participate in a variety of settings & situations Demonstrates trust in others Regulates emotions Understands & follows social rules Complies with familiar adult requests Shares toys & materials with others Initiates, responds to, & sustains interactions with others Listens, watches, & follows activities during groups 	
In different settings consider how the child	 Interacts with & relates to others in day-to-day happenings Displays, reads & reacts to emotions Initiates, maintains, & close interactions Expresses delight or displays affection Transitions in routines or activities (familiar & new) Engages in a joint activities/interactions Shows awareness of contextual rules expectations Responds to arrivals & departures of other 	

2. Child acquires and uses knowledge and skills		
Involves	Thinking reasoning problem solving Understanding symbols Understanding the physical & social world	
Describe how the child	 Displays curiosity & eagerness for learning Explores their environment Explores & plays with people & objects (toys, books, etc.) Engages in appropriate play with toys & objects Uses vocabulary either through spoken means, sign language, or through augmentative communication devices to communicate in an increasingly complex form Learns new skills & uses these skills in play (e.g., completing a puzzle or building a fort) Acquires & uses the precursor skills that will allow them to begin to learn reading & mathematics in kindergarten Shows imagination & creativity in play 	
In different settings consider how the child	 Imitates others & learn to tries new things Persists or modifies strategies to achieve a desired end Solves problems & attempt solutions others suggest Use the words/skills he has in everyday settings Understands & responds to directions/requests Displays awareness of the distinction between things Interacts with books, pictures, print Demonstrates understanding of familiar scripts in play 	

3. Child takes action to meet needs		
Involves	 Taking care of basic needs Contributing to own health & safety Getting from place to place & using tools 	
Describe how the child	 Moves from place to place to participate in activities, play, & routines Seeks help when necessary to move from place to place Manipulates materials to participate in learning opportunities & be as Independent as possible Uses objects (e.g., forks, switches, other devices, etc.) as tools appropriately Uses gestures, sounds, words, signs or other means to communicate wants & needs Meets self-care needs (feeding, dressing, toileting, etc.) Seeks help when necessary to assist with basic care or other needs Follows rules related to health & safety 	
In different settings consider how the child	 Gets from place to place Assists with or engage in dressing, eating, toileting, hygiene tasks Conveys needs & desires & preferences Responds to challenges Responds to delays in getting what he wants Gets what he wants (e.g., toys, food, attention) Shows awareness of or respond to situations that may be dangerous Amuses himself or seeks out something fun 	

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