FAQ: ASQ-3

Also see the ASQ-3 User Guide.

What does ASQ-3 stand for?

ASQ-3 stands for "Ages and Stages Questionnaires, Third Edition" (Squires, Bricker et al., 2009)

What is the ASQ-3?

- A standardized screening tool to identify young children at risk for developmental delays.
- A parent-report tool that can be administered during well-child visits.
- The ASQ-3 asks parents questions about developmental skills.

When should it be used?

- Validated for use with children ages 1-66 months.
- The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends a general developmental screening at:
 - > 9-, 18, & 24-/30-months.
- Can also be used:
 - When parents report a concern.
 - Across time points for surveillance.

How does it work?

- Current version includes 21 age-specific questionnaires (ages 2 to 60 months).
- Questions in 5 developmental areas with 6 questions in each area:
 - Communication, Gross Motor, Fine Motor, Problem Solving, Personal-Social
 - Response options include: yes, sometimes, not yet
- Separate "Overall Section" provides additional information:
 - Areas include early language development, behavioral and articulation
 - Response options include: yes, no and fill in
- Can be completed by caregivers in 10-15 minutes.
- Written at the 4th-6th grade reading level.
- Available in multiple languages including Spanish.
- Minimal training is required to administer or score the tool.
- For experienced personnel, scoring should take about 1-3 minutes.

Anything else I should know?

- The ASQ-3 is a copyrighted instrument and can be purchased from Brookes Publishing.
- Sensitivity: 86%; Specificity: 85%.
- ASQ-SE:2 is also available.

What if I have more questions or want info about training?

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The AAP recommends developmental screening at:







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