

The Early Years Check-In (EYCI)

FREE



A free, simple and convenient tool to quickly identify any concerns you may have about your child's development.

What is the EYCI?

As parents and caregivers, you know your child best and play a key role in supporting their early development. The EYCI is made up of 11 questions to help you identify any concerns you may have about your child's development in the areas of language, movement, thinking and learning, and social and emotional skills.

Available online or on paper, it can be completed for children 18 months to 6 years of age and takes only a few minutes to complete.

How do I complete the EYCI?

Use the simple blue scale to mark your level of concern from 'no concerns' to 'very concerned' for each question. Based on your responses to all the items, you will receive an overall result of low, elevated or high concern.

When using the online version, you can choose to email, print or download your results for future reference. You will also receive a personalized activity list from Play&Learn based on your results. You can use this immediately to help improve your child's skills in the areas you may have concerns about.

Check out these other free tools that support healthy child development.

Ontario's Enhanced 18-Month Well-Baby Visit Planner

This easy 5-10 minute guide helps you to think about any concerns you may want to discuss about your child's development with your family's healthcare provider. We want to make sure you have the best Enhanced 18-Month Well-Baby Visit possible!

Get started at: myvisit.ca

Play&Learn

A collection of games and activities reviewed by experts in child development for children aged 1.5 to 6 years of age that you can do with your child to improve their skills in four areas: language, movement, thinking and learning and social and emotional development

Get started at: playandlearn.healthhq.ca

Next Steps?

Whether you complete the EYCI online or on paper, share your results with an early years professional so that you can discuss possible next steps and available resources to support your child's development.

Child development is an on-going process and your concerns may change over time. Using the EYCI as your child continues to grow may help you to identify challenges with their progress.

ONLINE TOOL

The screenshot shows the online EYCI tool interface. It includes a navigation bar with 'Home', 'About', 'Professionals', and 'Français'. The main heading is 'Your Early Years Check-In'. Below this, there are instructions and a rating scale for the question: '1. How this child gets along with others'. The scale ranges from 'No Concerns' to 'Very Concerned'.

PAPER TOOL

The image shows the paper EYCI tool. It features a large yellow pencil pointing to a blue rating scale. The scale is labeled 'THE EARLY YEARS CHECK-IN' and has a range from 'No Concerns' to 'Very Concerned'.

Get started at: eyci.ca

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