

400-10 REQUIRED SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT TOOLS**PURPOSE**

To ensure that local California Home Visiting Program (CHVP) sites conduct required screening and assessment in order to identify needs, link participants to appropriate referral services and to comply with the federally mandated CHVP benchmark construct measures.

POLICY

Local CHVP sites are required to use five assessment tools and the CHVP Supplemental Forms, for Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) only, to meet the benchmark construct measures, in addition to NFP and Healthy Family America (HFA) model requirements. CHVP sites may use additional screening tools, but may not use these tools to replace the five required assessment tools.

PROCEDURE

- I. The local CHVP staff must use the following assessment tools:
 - A. *Ages and Stages Questionnaires 3rd Edition (ASQ-3)* is used to identify developmental delays in children. At least one ASQ-3 (two, four or six month) must be administered during the tool's valid time frame (before seven months);
 - B. *Ages and Stages Questionnaires Social-Emotional (ASQ-SE)* is used to assess social-emotional development in children. The six-month ASQ-SE must be administered during the tool's valid time frame (three months through eight months);
 - C. *Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale (EPDS)* is used to screen for maternal depression and must be administered once before 10 weeks postpartum, preferably at six to eight weeks postpartum;
 - D. *The Infant Toddler - Home Observation for Measurement of the Environment (IT-HOME) Inventory* is used to measure the stimulation and support available to a child in the home environment. At a minimum it must be administered at prior to seven months and prior to 19 months of age; and
 - E. *Women's Experience with Battering (WEB)*, also referred to as the *Relationship Assessment Tool (RAT)*, is used by CHVP to screen for intimate partner violence (IPV) and must be administered at the second home visit, pregnancy-36 weeks, if enrolled at that time, and when the child is 2, 6, 12, 18 and 24 months.

Note: The NFP Relationship Assessment Form is a different "tool" that the NFP model uses to screen for IPV, and a distinctly different set of questions are asked of participants. There are 3 screening intervals:

Intake, Pregnancy-36 weeks and Infancy-12 months.

- II. For the HFA Program: Refer to the *CHVP Data Collection Manual*, *HFA sites* and the *ETO User Manual for HFA Sites (HFA ETO Home)* for a summary of the screening and assessment tools and forms and the required timeframes used in home visits. These manuals may be used as a guideline or a checklist to ensure proper use and timing.

Note: Additional screening and/or screening time-points may be required by the HFA National Office for accreditation purposes that are beyond the scope of CHVP. For example, the EPDS is required to be administered prenatally for HFA.

- III. For the NFP Program: Refer to the *NFP Data Collection Manual*, the *CHVP Supplemental Data Collection Manual For NFP Sites* and the *ETO User Manual For NFP Sites (NFP Community)*, which summarizes screening and assessment tools and forms and the required timeframes used in home visits. These manuals may be used as a guideline or a checklist. Additionally, the local CHVP staff must use the following CHVP supplemental forms: Supplemental Intake; Infancy 2 Months; Infancy 6 Months; Infancy 12 Months and Supplemental Client Discharge.

REFERENCES

- CHVP Required Tools/Trainings may be found on the website:
<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/mcah/Pages/HVP-HomePage.aspx>
- NFP Community:
 - NFP Data Collection Manual
- CHVP Supplemental Program Dashboard in ETO:
 - CHVP Supplemental Data Collection Manual For NFP Sites
 - ETO User Manual For NFP Sites
- HFA Dashboard in ETO:
 - CHVP Data Collection Manual, HFA Sites
 - ETO User Manual For HFA Sites