

Needs Assessment for Home Visiting Practices

Teacher Name: _____

Date: _____

Instructions: Each of the questions below relate to effective practices for supporting family relationships and children’s learning. Read each question and consider how often you do this practice using the 1 to 5 rankings. Once you have completed the rankings, consider if you would like to do this practice more. Identify the top 5 practices you would like more support and help to use on home visits. Use the notes section to write your initial ideas about what might help you use this practice.

Home Visiting Practice	How Often Do You Use this Practice?					Change needed?	Priority (Top 5)	Notes
	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Usually	Always			
Home Visitor: Responsiveness (adapted from HOVRS –A+)								
Plans next visit with parent, and helps parent decide on activities, materials, & who will provide them.	1	2	3	4	5	Yes No		
Emphasizes parent-selected activities and organizes home visit around them.	1	2	3	4	5	Yes No		
Gets information from open-ended or follow-up questions and uses the information to increase effectiveness of home visit.	1	2	3	4	5	Yes No		
Observes, reacts, and provides reflective feedback, ideas, and developmental information about parent-child interactions or child’s development.	1	2	3	4	5	Yes No		

Needs Assessment for Home Visiting Practices Continued...

Teacher Name: _____

Date: _____

Instructions: Each of the questions below relate to effective practices for supporting family relationships and children’s learning. Read each question and consider how often you do this practice using the 1 to 5 rankings. Once you have completed the rankings, consider if you would like to do this practice more. Identify the top 5 practices you would like more support and help to use on home visits. Use the notes section to write your initial ideas about what might help you use this practice.

Home Visiting Practice	How Often Do You Use this Practice?					Change needed?	Priority (Top 5)	Notes
	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Usually	Always			
Home Visitor: Skills (adapted from ZTT Core Competencies Domain #2 Family-Centered Practice- Skills)								
Ensures parents/caregivers are engaged in planning and responding to any health, learning or developmental needs of their child.	1	2	3	4	5	Yes No		
Establishes an ongoing alliance with families that supports their strengths, priorities and parenting practices.	1	2	3	4	5	Yes No		
Uses easily understandable language about social and emotional milestones to help family members promote healthy relationships with each other and with their very young child.	1	2	3	4	5	Yes No		