Module 4: Celebrating Child Growth

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The COR is organized into six broad categories of child development. Within each category is a list of observation items. These items are based on key developmental indicators — KDIs (formerly known as key experiences) — in each content area for the age range covered. There are six categories and 32 items on the Preschool COR and six categories and 28 items on the Infant-Toddler COR. Under each of the items are five developmental levels that describe behavior ranging from simple (1) to more complex (5).

How Does the Preschool COR Work?

The COR is an observational tool. Teachers or caregivers spend a few minutes each day writing brief notes ("anecdotes") that describe significant episodes of young children's behavior. They record their notes on printed forms or in computer files, and then classify and rate them according to the COR categories, items, and levels.

COR anecdotes, gathered on a child over time and systematically rated according to the COR framework, are the basic units of information that are compiled and analyzed to provide a comprehensive portrait of each child's developmental gains and of the progress of the group as a whole. Using COR forms and software, a variety of reports may be generated from this information.

What Do I Need To Get Started?

Depending on your preference, you may choose from a written version, or Web-based version of the COR. By using the options link to your left you will find an explanation of each. Training is recommended for first-time users.

How Do I Learn More?

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