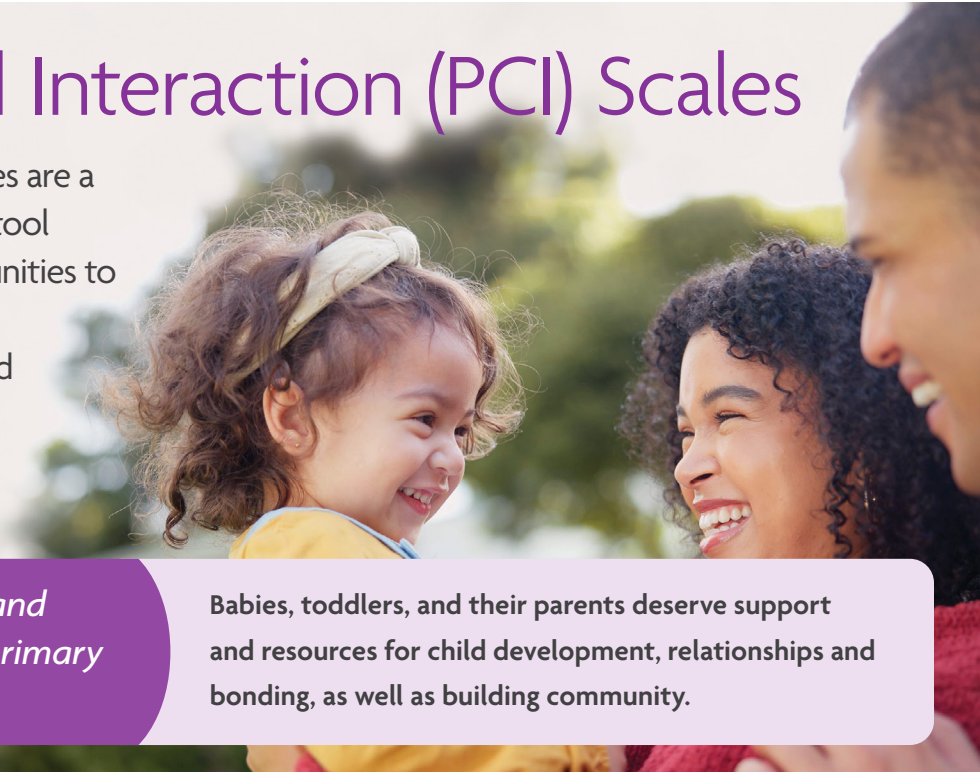


# Parent Child Interaction (PCI) Scales

Parent Child Interaction Scales are a family-centered assessment tool designed to identify opportunities to support and strengthen the parent-child relationship, child development outcomes, and infant/early childhood mental health.



*The relationships babies and toddlers have with their primary caregivers are important.*

Babies, toddlers, and their parents deserve support and resources for child development, relationships and bonding, as well as building community.

The parent-child interaction feeding or teaching scale will help your DCYF caseworker identify strengths and protective factors already present in your relationship with your child and it can help you and your caseworker identify supportive in-home or community-based services for you and your child.

## Parent Observation



- ✓ The person completing the observation is specially trained. They will watch you feed your child or teach your child a task. The observation itself shouldn't take longer than 5 to 10 minutes.
- ✓ All parents deserve support and recognition for creating a nurturing learning environment and the observer watching you will be sure to let you know all the ways you're already doing great.

## Child Observation



- ✓ During the observation, the observer will look for the ways your child communicates their needs and feelings through body language and other behaviors.
- ✓ If there are any recommendations for supportive services for your child, you will have an opportunity to discuss these recommendations with your DCYF caseworker.

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