

## Oklahoma's Developmental Screening Initiative

- *12-18% of U.S. children have a developmental or behavior disorder-speech and language impairments, mental retardation, learning disorders, social, emotional and behavior disorders, yet fewer than 30% of these children are identified by clinician judgment before entering school.*  
Glascoe, AAP Policy Statement, Pediatrics, 2001
- *Only 30-40% of parents volunteer concerns without prompting.*  
Glascoe, Pediatrics, 1995
- *57% of parents report their child's development was ever assessed in a pediatric visit.*  
Halfon, Pediatrics, 2004
- *Children experience/exhibiting more subtle issues and who would likely be great responders to intervention are not being referred.*

### Why developmental screening?

- Saves time and improves care
- Evidence-based screenings can be reimbursed under CPT code 96110 by SoonerCare
- Boosts the identification rate of at risk children resulting in earlier intervention services.
- Parents who report receiving developmental assessments are more likely to report other anticipatory guidance (toilet training, reading, discipline) and are more satisfied with pediatric care.  
Halfon, Pediatrics, 2004

### How often do I conduct screenings?

AAP guidelines suggest using a validated tool at 9, 18 and 30 months or at 24 months if there is no 30 month visit.

### How do I choose a validated screening tool?

*Trained consultants are available to assist you in choosing which tool is best for your practice, in implementing developmental screenings into the practice and in identifying resources to which to refer children.*

### Available screening tools:

Ages and Stages Questionnaire/Social Emotional (ASQ/ASQ-SE)  
Parents' Evaluation of Developmental Status (PEDS)  
Modified Checklist for Autism in Toddlers (M-CHAT)

### Helpful resources about developmental screening:

[www.developmentalscreening.org](http://www.developmentalscreening.org)

[www.dbpeds.org](http://www.dbpeds.org)

[www.health.ok.gov](http://www.health.ok.gov) (Child and Family Health)

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