

BEHAVIORAL DATA COLLECTION SHEET

This sheet is intended to be used by caregivers to document a child's behavior that is of concern to them. The behavior may warrant evaluation by a health care provider, discussion with parents, and/or consultation with other professionals.

Child's name: _____ Date: _____

1. Describe behavior observed: (See below for some descriptions.)

2. Behavior noted from: _____ to _____
(time) (time)
3. During that time, how often did the child engage in the behavior? (e.g. once, 2-5 times, 6-10 times, 11-25 times, >25 times, >100 times) _____
4. What activity(ies) was the child involved in when the behavior occurred? (e.g. was the child involved in a task? Was the child alone? Had the child been denied access to a special toy, food, or activity?) _____
5. Where did the behavior occur? _____
6. Who was around the child when the behavior began? List staff, children, parents, others.

7. Did the behavior seem to occur for no reason? Did it seem affected by changes in the environment?

8. Did the child sustain any self-injury? Describe. _____
9. Did the child cause property damage or injury to others? Describe. _____
10. How did caregiver respond to the child's behavior? If others were involved, how did they respond?

11. What did the child do after caregiver's response? _____
12. Have parents reported any unusual situation or experience the child had since attending child care?

Child Care Facility Name: _____

Name of Caregiver (completing this form): _____

Behaviors can include:

- *repetitive, self-stimulating acts*
- *self-injurious behavior (SIB) such as head banging, self-biting, eye-poking, pica (eating non-food items), pulling out own hair*
- *aggression / injury to others*
- *disruption such as throwing things, banging on walls, stripping*
- *agitation such as screaming, pacing, hyperventilating*
- *refusing to eat / speak; acting detached / withdrawn*
- *others*

Check a child's developmental stage before labeling a behavior a problem. For example, it is not unusual for a 12 month old to eat non-food items, nor is it unusual for an 18 month old to throw things. Also, note how regularly the child exhibits the behavior. An isolated behavior is usually not a problem.

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