



Frequently Asked Questions

Developmental Screenings (ASQ®-3 and ASQ®: SE-2) For Families

Q. Why should my child be screened with the ASQ®'s?

A. The Ages and Stages Questionnaires® (ASQ®) are widely used developmental screening questionnaires designed to identify potential developmental and social emotional concerns, help parents celebrate their child's milestones and determine whether follow-up steps are needed.

Q. Will the screening provide a diagnosis?

A. No, screening provides a snapshot of the child's development and behavior, NOT a diagnosis. The screening helps professionals determine whether a more in-depth assessment is recommended.

Q. Why should parents/guardians complete the screening(s)?

A. Parents/guardians know their child(ren) best. If possible, it is recommended that the parent/guardian complete the screening.

Q. What is the difference between the ASQ®-3 and the ASQ®: SE-2?

A. The ASQ®-3 focuses on developmental progress and includes areas in motor skills, communication and problem solving. The ASQ®: SE-2 focuses on social-emotional development and includes questions regarding self-regulation, compliance and interactions.

Q. Where can parents/guardians complete the screening(s)?

A. The screening(s) are available on Florida's Early Learning Family Portal (Family Portal), <https://familyservices.floridaearlylearning.com/> . After signing the Payment Certificate, parents/guardians will be asked to provide consent for screening.

Q. Are parents/guardians required to provide consent for screening(s)?

A. No, parents have the right to decline consent for screening. Eligibility for the School Readiness Program is not influenced by the parent's decision to approve or deny consent for screenings. However, once parents/guardians approve consent, the provider is responsible for completing the screening if the parent/guardian does not complete it within the allotted 5 days.



Q. When do parents/guardians complete the screening(s)?

A. Once parents/guardians sign the Payment Certificate and provide consent for screening(s), they will have an opportunity to complete the screening(s) on the Family Portal for a total of 5 days. If parents/caregivers are unable to complete the screening(s) within the allotted 5 days, the screening(s) is automatically transferred to Florida's Early Learning Provider Portal (Provider Portal), where the child's early learning provider will complete and submit.

Q. Can parents/guardians complete the screening(s) after it transfers to the provider?

A. Parents/guardians will not be able to enter the screening(s) on the Family Portal after the screening(s) are transferred to the Provider Portal. However, it is encouraged that families/guardians work with the Provider to complete the screening(s).

Q. How long will it take to complete the screening(s)?

A. Each screening will take approximately 10-15 minutes to complete.

Q. What languages are available to complete the screening(s) in?

A. The screening(s) are available in English and Spanish.

Q. How often will my child be screened?

A. The developmental screenings are offered annually during new enrollments and redeterminations for the School Readiness Program.

Q. How can parents/guardians obtain screening results?

A. Screening results are available on Florida's Early Learning Family Portal (Family Portal) after they are approved by Coalition staff.

Q. What if a child scores in the concern or monitoring range?

A. If a child scores in the concern or monitoring range, parents/guardians will receive a follow-up phone call and email from our partners at Citrus Health Network, Inc. A specialist will ask questions and provide optional next steps for the child, family and early learning provider.

Q. What if a child scores in the typical range?

A. Celebrate scores in the typical range. If parents/guardians have concerns regarding scores in the typical range, please reach out to our team to discuss.

Q. Where can parents/guardians reach out for help in completing the screening(s)?

A. We encourage parents/guardians to watch our brief video for answers to your questions. Our team is available via email at ASQ@elcmdm.org or phone via 786.433.3095, as needed.