



How to Measure Caregiver–Child Interactions in Settings that Serve Infants and Toddlers

What is Q-CCIIT?

The Quality of Caregiver–Child Interactions for Infants and Toddlers, or Q-CCIIT, is an evidence-based observational measure of the quality of caregiver–child interactions in early care and education settings that serve infants and toddlers.

Who can use Q-CCIIT?

Early childhood administrators, coaches or mentors, practitioners, training and technical assistance providers, researchers, evaluators, and higher education instructors are some examples of those who can use Q-CCIIT to better understand the quality of interactions between caregivers and children up to 36 months of age. This understanding of quality can inform professional development, research, or administrator decision making.

Q-CCIIT FEATURES

- Based on research and evidence about interactions with infants and toddlers
- Strong reliability and validity
- Appropriate for a variety of classroom settings, including center-based and home-based child care
- Flexible for use in culturally and linguistically diverse settings
- Alignment with the Head Start Early Learning Outcomes Framework (ELOF)
- Training, manual, instructions for use, and support available

What does Q-CCIIT measure?



Support for social-emotional development: how caregivers respond and nurture, create an environment that is warm and positive, and support children's interactions with peers and social and emotional development



Support for cognitive development: how caregivers help children build cognitive skills needed for problem-solving, organizing and representing ideas, exploring, and learning about the world



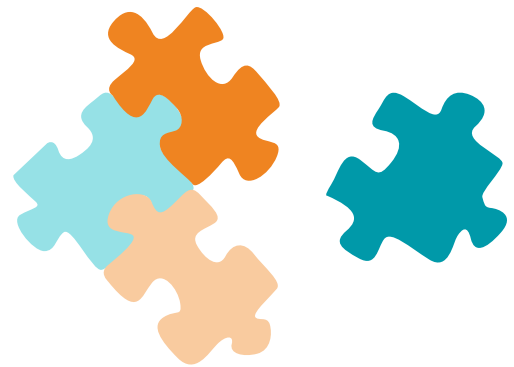
Support for language and literacy development: how caregivers support and extend children's language development through encouraging children's language use



Areas of concern: issues that might affect a child's physical or emotional health and safety or interfere with cognitive development

Filling a gap in early childhood measurement:

Q-CCIIT fills a measurement gap, providing a single measure that can be used in multiple types of settings, and addresses early childhood caregiver competencies, across the 0-3 age span.



Q-CCIIT training now available!

For more information about Q-CCIIT or to sign up for a training session, contact us at QCIT@mathematica-mpr.com, call us at 1-833-QCIT123 (833-724-8123) (toll free), or visit mathematica.org/toolkits/q-cciit.

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QUALITY OF CAREGIVER-CHILD INTERACTIONS

FOR INFANTS & TODDLERS (QCIT)

OBSERVATIONAL CERTIFICATION TRAINING (OCT)

JANUARY 22-25, 2024 (REGION VII VIRTUAL INSTRUCTION)

Description: The QCIT OCT will provide participants with a 4-day training on the evidence-based observational measure of the quality of caregiver-child interactions in early care and educational settings that serve infants and toddlers (i.e., family child care and center based settings). This training can support a deeper understanding of how that quality can inform professional development, evaluation, monitoring, research and administrator decision making.

Learning Objectives:

- Explain what the QCIT tool measures
- Identify effective practices for each QCIT dimension
- Score observations of early care and education settings using the QCIT measure

Who should attend?

Region VII education managers, leaders and coaches who are interested in becoming QCIT certified observers. Space is limited to 17 participants.

Trainers:

Katie Ingham, Bethanie Grass and Pam Kruger (Early Childhood Specialists)

Registration and Costs: Complete the attached registration form and return to Tina@MOHeadStart.org and mail payment of \$625 via check made payable to MHSA at: Post Office Box, 817, Jefferson City, MO 65102. Refunds are not available but are transferable to a substitute, if received by January 5th. Substitutes are a single individual who attends the entire event in lieu of the original registrant.

Deadline for a purchase order or payment through check and the registration form to be received is December 7th. This is a limited capacity training so participation is only guaranteed for the first 17 participants. Please do not delay to register!

**For questions about registration,
please contact MHSA:**

PHONE: (573) 665-7007
Tina@moheadstart.org

QCIT Observational Certification Training Registration Form

January 22-25, 2024 (Region VII Virtual)

Complete the below information and return to MHSA to participate in this Regional training. Materials will be shipped so a physical address is required, post office boxes are not acceptable. Additional materials will be emailed through the Moodle website. Once registrations are confirmed, more details to access information will be shared by the trainers.

Name:

Email Address: _____

Physical Address: _____

City:_____ **State:**_____ **Zip Code:**_____

Organization:_____

Role/Title:_____

Telephone:_____

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