

Forensic Interview Review Sheet

Interviewer's Name:		Date of Review:		
Child's Age:	Child's Gender:	Areas for Feedback:		
Element of Interview	Adequately Completed			Comments
INTRODUCTION				
<i>Introduce self and role</i>	Y	N	N/A	
<i>Age appropriate explanation of process/equipment/team communication</i>	Y	N	N/A	
RAPPORT/EARLY ENGAGEMENT				
<i>Ask child to talk about something in which they have an interest</i>	Y	N	N/A	
<i>Provide opportunity for child to demonstrate communicative abilities</i>	Y	N	N/A	
<i>Provide opportunity for child to demonstrate developmental abilities</i>	Y	N	N/A	
<i>Attending behaviors (eye contact, verbal following, reflection, social support)</i>	Y	N	N/A	
<i>Appropriate interviewer demeanor (friendliness, voice tone)</i>	Y	N	N/A	
INTERVIEW INSTRUCTIONS/ORIENTING MESSAGES/GUIDELINES (if appropriate)				
<i>Don't know</i>	Y	N	N/A	
<i>Don't guess</i>	Y	N	N/A	
<i>Don't understand</i>	Y	N	N/A	
<i>Correct me/I'm wrong</i>	Y	N	N/A	
<i>Agree/promise to tell the truth</i>	Y	N	N/A	
NARRATIVE PRACTICE				
<i>Invitation for narrative information (episodic event)</i>	Y	N	N/A	

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Episodic information explored	Y	N	N/A	
Listened to narrative(s) without interruption	Y	N	N/A	
Focused on activity- or action-based information	Y	N	N/A	
NARRATIVE PRACTICE				
Follow-up prompts to expand narrative	Y	N	N/A	
Used open-ended prompts	Y	N	N/A	
Used of wh questions	Y	N	N/A	
Limited use of option-posing/recognition questions	Y	N	N/A	
FAMILY				
Identified persons in household	Y	N	N/A	
Explored both parent if living separately	Y	N	N/A	
TRANSITION				
Were transition questions appropriate?	Y	N	N/A	
Were transition questions funneled?	Y	N	N/A	
SUBSTANTIVE PHASE/STAGE 2/INVITATION & INQUIRY				
Listened to narratives w/o interruption	Y	N	N/A	
Clarified unclear details	Y	N	N/A	
Maximum use of open-ended?	Y	N	N/A	
Used wh-? When appropriate and followed with opened questions?	Y	N	N/A	
Paired closed questions with open questions	Y	N	N/A	
CLOSURE/END RESPECTFULLY				
Returned to neutral topic	Y	N	N/A	
Provided opportunity for questions	Y	N	N/A	
Provided respectful end to interview	Y	N	N/A	
OTHER				
Used developmentally appropriate and/or culturally sensitive questions?	Y	N	N/A	