

Ages and Stages Questionnaires

The Ages and Stages Questionnaires (ASQ) are a series of parent-completed child development screening tools, endorsed by the American Academy of Pediatrics*.

ASQ Cutoff Interpretation Guidance

- The ASQ cutoffs are statistically derived and are set at 2 standard deviations below the mean.
- Any child with scores below the cutoff should be referred for a diagnostic evaluation from local part C (Early Intervention) or part B (Early Childhood Special Education) providers.
- Any child with scores close to the cutoffs should be monitored, and parents should be provided developmental guidance.

Referral Considerations

- The child's cultural context, lack of opportunity to practice skills, or health status may be contributing to the child's low score. Prior to making a referral, it is helpful to determine from the child's caregiver if these factors are influencing a child's performance on the ASQ.

Additional Considerations

- Check to make sure the correct ASQ interval was administered. A child should be within the age range listed on the questionnaire (for example, the 16 month questionnaire can be administered from 15 through 17 months of age).
- Children born three or more weeks premature should have their age adjusted up through the age of 24 months.

For more information about the ASQ please visit: <http://agesandstages.com>

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