

Checklist for Using the PFS

	Yes	No
Will the respondent (the parents or caregiver) receive <i>at least</i> 6 hours of direct services from your program before they are given the post-test?		
If you answered 'No" the PFS may not be the best survey for measuring outcomes of your services. You do not need to complete the remaining items on this checklist.		
Is the respondent the primary caregiver of the child(ren) for whom the parent/guardian is receiving services?		
If you answered 'No" the PFS may not be the best survey for measuring Child Development / Knowledge of Parenting and Nurturing and Attachment. Consider not using items from those subscales, items 12-20.		
Do you provide services or supports that address each of the following protective factors:		
Family Functioning / Resiliency Having adaptive skills and strategies to persevere in times of crisis. Family's ability to openly share positive and negative experiences and mobilize to accept, solve, and manage problems.		
If you checked "No", consider not using the Family Functioning / Resiliency subscale, items 1 through 5.		
Social Emotional Support: Perceived informal support (from family, friends, and neighbors) that helps provide for emotional needs.		
If you checked "No", consider not using the Social Emotional Support subscale, items 6, 7, and 10		
Concrete Support: Perceived access to tangible goods and services to help families cope with stress, particularly in times of crisis or intensified need.		
If you checked "No", consider not using the Concrete Support subscale, items 8, 9, and 11		
Nurturing and Attachment: The emotional tie along with a pattern of positive interaction between the parent and child that develops over time.		
If you checked "No", consider not using the Nurturing and Attachment subscale, items 17, 18, 19, and 20.		
Child Development / Knowledge of Parenting: Understanding and using effective child management techniques and having age-appropriate expectations for children's abilities.		
If you checked "No", consider not using the Child Development/Knowledge of Parenting subscale, items 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16. Please note: this is not a subscale, but a grouping of items that are related to Child Development and Knowledge of Parenting. You could use one or more of the items if they were related to the services you provide.		