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<u>Purpose of the Evaluation</u>: The Center for Applied Research and Evaluation (CARE) at WSU's Community Engagement Institute (CEI) is working with the Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund (KCCTF). The goal is to find out how children and families are doing in programs being paid for by the Early Childhood Block Grant (ECBG). The research will look at children ages 0-5 years old and their development. The research will help funders decide what helps to make children ready for school.

<u>Participant Selection</u>: You have been asked to help with this research because you are a parent who has a child in a program paid for by the ECBG.

Explanation of Procedures: Your child or your family may be asked information. These tools include:

The Ages and Stages Questionnaire- 3 (ASQ-3) is a developmental screening done by parents or caregivers. It is for children ages 2-60 months old. The ASQ-3 takes 10-15 minutes and is done twice per year.

The Ages and Stages Questionnaire: Social-Emotional, Second Edition (ASQ: SE- 2) is a social-emotional screening done by parents. It is for children ages 1-72 months old. It takes 10-15 minutes and is done twice per year.

The Devereux Early Childhood Assessment (DECA) for Infants (1-18 months), Toddlers (18-36 months), and Preschoolers (3-5 years) is an observational tool that looks at strengths in children. Staff that work with children do the DECA. The DECA will not take any of your child's time. The DECA takes 10-20 minutes to complete. The DECA will be done twice during services.

The Individual Growth and Development Indicators for Infants and Toddlers (IGDI's) is a tool to look at a child's (6-42 months) development. The IGDI's will be administered by people working with children twice a year. The IGDI's takes about 12 minutes to complete.

The Individual Growth and Development Indicators for pre-kindergarten (myIGDI's) is a tool to look at a child's (3-5 years) development. Two skill areas are covered: literacy and numeracy. Literacy is a set of skills related to the ability to learn to read. Numeracy is a set of skills related to numbers and the ability to learn math. The myIGDI's will be administered by people working with children three times a year. The myIGDI's take about 10 minutes to complete.

The Keys to Interactive Parenting Scale (KIPS) is an observation tool. The KIPS looks at parenting and parent child interactions. The KIPS is given by parent trainers. It takes 20 minutes with 15 minutes of play and 5 minutes of clean up. The KIPS is done once at the beginning of services and again at the end.

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<u>Discomfort/Risks</u>: The tools ask questions about you or your child. Completing these tools and/or the information you learn from them may make you feel uncomfortable. You can skip over questions you don't want to answer or quit at any time.

<u>Benefits</u>: You will be helping with the research on the ECBG sites. The reason for this project is to show how well programs are helping children and their families all over Kansas. It is important to show that the programs improve children's readiness for school over time. This can only be done by getting information from children and families in these programs across different points in time.

Confidentiality: Information from your forms will be entered into an electronic database. The electronic database is safe, secure and password protected. You will be asked to put your name and your child's name on the forms. This information will allow for the assignment of a unique study number to you by your program. This is to protect your confidentiality. The names and study numbers assigned will not be shared with anyone other than the ECBG site or program you are participating with but it will be stored in the secure data system created for the Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund. Your anonymous data will be combined with data from other families for reporting purposes by the Kansas Children's Cabinet and their contractors. Your name or your child's name will never be shared with anyone outside of the secure data system.

Refusal/Withdrawal: You do not have to do any of the forms if you don't want to. Your decision whether or not to help with this research will NOT affect your future relations with Wichita State University, Wichita State University's Center for Community Support and Research, the program(s) your child is in, or the Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund or their agents. You are free to skip any question or quit at any time. You have the same rights with all the forms.

Contact: If you have any questions about the research, you can contact Dr. Lynn Schrepferman of CARE by phone at 316-978-6772 or by email: lynn.schrepferman@wichita.edu. If you have questions pertaining to your rights as a research participant, you can contact the Office of Research and Technology Transfer at Wichita State University, Wichita, KS 67260-0007, telephone 316-978-3285.

Being apart of the Kansas ECBG Evaluation depends on you signing this consent form for you and your child. By signing this you show that you have read this form and you have decided to participate.

You will be given a copy of this consent form to keep.

Name of Participant (Parent/Caregiver)	Date
Signature of Participant (Parent/Caregiver)	Date
Name of Child	Date
Witness Signature	Date