

Using the ASQ®-3 Overall Questions

Use this chart to see the intent behind each of the questions asked in the Overall section of the ASQ®-3 questionnaires. Any concern about development noted by the parents should be discussed, and a referral should be made if appropriate. Keep in mind that these questions are not diagnostic; they only serve as a guide for discussion and the potential need for further assessment.

ASQ-3 intervals	Overall question	Possible problem indicator of	Examples of referrals
2-14	Does your baby use both hands/legs equally well?	Cerebral palsy	Health care provider; motor specialist
2-14	When you help your baby stand, are his/her feet flat on the surface most of the time?	Cerebral palsy	Health care provider; motor specialist
16-60	Do you think your child talks like other toddlers/children his/her age?	Articulation delay; speech-language disorder	Early intervention/early childhood special educator (EI/ECSE); speech-language pathologist (SLP)
16-60	Can you understand most of what your child says?	Articulation delay; speech-language disorder	EI/ECSE; SLP
30-60	Can other people understand most of what your child says?	Articulation delay; speech-language disorder	EI/ECSE; SLP
16-60	Do you think your child walks, runs, and climbs like other toddlers/children his/her age?	Neurological conditions; cerebral palsy	EI/ECSE; health care provider; motor specialist
All	Do you think your baby/child hears well?	Hearing impairment	EI/ECSE; audiologist
All	Does either parent have a family history of childhood deafness or hearing impairment?	Hearing impairment	EI/ECSE; audiologist
All	Do you have concerns about your baby's/child's vision?	Visual impairment; strabismus	Primary health care provider
All	Has your baby/child had any medical problems in the last several months?	If ear infections, possible hearing impairment; other medical problems could indicate a very long list of issues	Primary health care provider; audiologist for hearing evaluation
All	Do you have any concerns about your baby's/child's behavior?	Regulatory disorder; autism; attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder; oppositional defiant disorder; anxiety disorder; depression	EI/ECSE; health care provider; infant mental health or behavioral specialist
All	Does anything about your baby/child worry you?	Varies	Varies