

**Midwest Regional Children's Advocacy Center  
Forensic Interview Peer Review Form**

**Name of Interviewer** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age of Child:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Peer Review Call:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Site of Interview:** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Interview Process</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>Observations/Comments</b>
Does interviewer introduce self and explain role and equipment				
Is the interviewer and child seated appropriately for camera recording?				
<b>Rapport Building</b>				
Did interviewer establish child's comfort, communication and competence?				
Did interviewer establish child's developmental level (for children <6 years or with developmental delays)				
Did interviewer demonstrate cultural competency and was interviewer culturally sensitive?				
<i>Ground Rules:</i> Does forensic interview establish rules of interview i.e.: okay to say I don't know, please repeat, don't understand, if I say something wrong, etc				

<b>Interview</b>				
Does interviewer establish child's names for body parts?				
Practice Narratives, i.e. tell me about something you like/don't like to do; tell me about your last birthday				
Does interviewer encourage free narrative through free recall?				
Does interviewer use focused questions?				
Does interviewer use information seeking yes-no questions?				
Does interviewer allow for follow-up questions and clarification to child's narrative? i.e. if interviewer uses tools during interview, are they used appropriately?				
Does interviewer make use of "wh" questions?				
Timing: use of silence appropriately; pace appropriate; length appropriate; does not interrupt child				
Did interviewer check with observers before closing interview?				
<i>Closure</i> : talked with child about personal safety; showed respect for child and empathy; thank them for participating in interview				

<p><i>Overall:</i> did interviewer address child by name? was demeanor friendly and warm? Did interviewer maintain eye contact? Did interviewer address questions/concerns of child and explain next steps as appropriate? Does interviewer revert back to neutral topic?</p>				
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**Additional comments for the interviewer (please remember that the purpose of this feedback is to provide the interviewer with constructive comments on how they conducted the interview. Please provide both positive feedback/strengths of the interviewer as well as areas the interviewer can improve on. Following the peer review, these tools will be shared with the interviewer.**

**Interview skills to work on:**

**Strengths demonstrated during the interview:**

**Other comments:**