



# First Connections: Decision Tree for COS Team Rating Decisions

Does the child typically function in ways that would be considered age-appropriate with regard to this outcome area? [team looks one column at a time on the Age Anchor tool to discuss skills marked]

NO

YES

Does the child typically use **immediate foundational skills** related to this outcome on which to build age-appropriate functioning across settings and situations? [immediate foundational skills = skills developmentally prior to UNMARKED skills on Age Anchor]

Does the child use age-appropriate skills across all or almost all settings and situations? [team looks at MARKED skills on Age Anchor one column at a time]

NO

YES

NO

YES

To what extent is the child using **immediate foundational skills** across settings and situations?

To what extent is the child using age-appropriate skills across settings and situations?

Does anyone have concerns about the child's functioning with regard to the outcome area?

Child *rarely* uses immediate foundational skills across settings and situations.

Child uses immediate foundational skills **across settings and situations** most or all of the time.

**Rarely**  
There is much more behavior that is not age-appropriate than age-appropriate.

**Sometimes**  
Some of the time across settings and situations. There is a mix of appropriate and not appropriate behavior and skills.

YES

NO

Rating = 1

Rating = 2

Rating = 3

Rating = 4

Rating = 5

Rating = 6

Rating = 7