

**APPENDIX C**

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### Measure and Source

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#### Observational Record of the Caregiving Environment (ORCE)

Content: The ORCE was designed as part of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) Study of Early Child Care and Youth Development (SECCYD) to assess quality of care for children ages 6 to 54 months across a wide range of nonparental care settings. This observational measure employs time-sampling of naturalistic activities in the care environment to assess seven constructs: (1) sensitivity/responsiveness, (2) language and cognitive stimulation, (3) positive regard/warmth, (4) mutuality, (5) detachment, (6) intrusiveness, and (7) negative regard.

Reference: NICHD Early Child Care Research Network. "The Relation of Child Care to Cognitive and Language Development." *Child Development*, vol. 71, no. 4, 2000, pp. 960-980.

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