



Tools for Assessing Home Obesogenic Environments: From Development to Real World Applications

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Moderator

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Learning Objectives

- ▶ Participants will list 3 concepts to consider when developing obesity prevention tools.
- ▶ Participants will understand different methods of validation appropriate for obesity prevention tools.
- ▶ Participants will view 5 examples of 'real world applications' of valid obesity prevention tools.

Speakers

- ▶ Marilyn Townsend, University of California, Davis
- ▶ Karina Diaz Rios, University of California, Merced
- ▶ Lenna Ontai, University of California, Davis
- ▶ Louise Lanoue, University of California, Davis
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- ▶ Gregory Welk, Iowa State University



Healthy Kids overview

Marilyn Townsend



Diet, lifestyle, and parenting determinants of child overweight by category, hypothesized effect and status of evidence.

Appendix 10: Summary of the evidence for the 10 categories of interventions that were included in the meta-analysis					
Intervention: Will Treatment? (Yes/No) Effect: Did it Work? (Yes/No) Outcome: Did it Improve? (Yes/No) Evidence: Was it Strong? (Yes/No) Search: Was it Found? (Yes/No) Review: Was it Reviewed? (Yes/No)					
Category	Intervention	Reference for Review	Hypothesized Effect	Status of Evidence	Search for Evidence
Diet	Dietary fat	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Protein	A	Unclear	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Dietary fiber	A	Unclear	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Fish-oil/vegetable	A	Unclear	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Fluid intake	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Carbohydrate	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Saturated fats	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Reduced fat food products	A	Unclear	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Noncaloric sweetener foods	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Insoluble	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
Lifestyle	Exercise intensity	A,C	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Portion size	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Exercise frequency	A,C	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Variety of foods	A	Unclear	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Snacking	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Food intake frequency	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Physical activity	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Sleep	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Television viewing	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Sports participation	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
Feeding	Video modeling	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Psychological stress	C	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Parental feeding style	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Concern about child's weight	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Diets with very low fat	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Encouragement to parent to eat	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Family functioning	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Parental perception of child's weight	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Restricting high-calorie foods	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓
	Using food as a reward	A	Obtact	✓✓✓✓	✓

Content validity established

Cognitive interviews.
Face validity established.

[illegible]



Types of data in HK study

Subjective [i.e. parent report]

- | | |
|--|---------|
| ▶ 24-hour diet recalls for child | 9 times |
| ▶ 24-hour diet recalls for parent | 3 |
| ▶ Food behavior checklist for parent | 1 |
| ▶ Fruit & Vegetable Inventory | 1 |
| ▶ Activity logs for sleep, PA, TV, video | 9 |

Objective

- | | |
|---|---|
| ▶ Measured heights, weights, waist, hip | 4 |
| ▶ Body temperature, blood pressure | 3 |
| ▶ Blood sample | 3 |
| ▶ Videotaping the family meal | 1 |

Healthy Kids valid tools*

Name	target	Validation method
Healthy Kids	3-5 years old	BMI, blood values
My Child at Meal Time	3-5 years old	Videotaping dinner
Focus on Veggies	3-5 years old	Recalls, blood values
Focus on Sweet Drinks	2-5 years old	Recalls, parent behaviors, blood values
Focus on Activity	3-5 years old	Activity logs
Focus on Fats & Sweets	3-5 years old	Recalls
My Veggies	Adult	Recalls

*for low-income families, federal nutrition programs

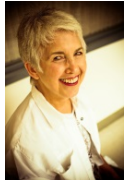


Features of new tools

- ▶ Easy to administer in a group setting for the educator
- ▶ Self-administered by the participant
- ▶ Low-literacy with Readability Indices grades 1-2
- ▶ Low respondent burden
- ▶ Multiple types of validation with different types of data

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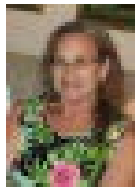
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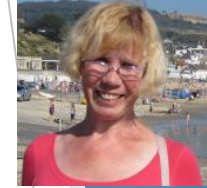
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Introductions

- ▶ Dr. Diaz Rios will now share with you how we adapted this Healthy Kids tool with low-income Spanish speakers.
- ▶ Dr. Ontai will then follow with results for the parenting behaviors tool, My Child at Mealtime
- ▶ Dr. Lanoue will share analyses from the blood values.
- ▶ Dr. Shilts will focus on their real world applications.
- ▶ Dr. Welk will share a new tool for 6-12 year olds and real world applications.



Cultural Adaptation

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Learning Objectives

Audience:
Cultural Background



List 3 concepts to consider when developing obesity prevention tools

Face Validity
Content Validity



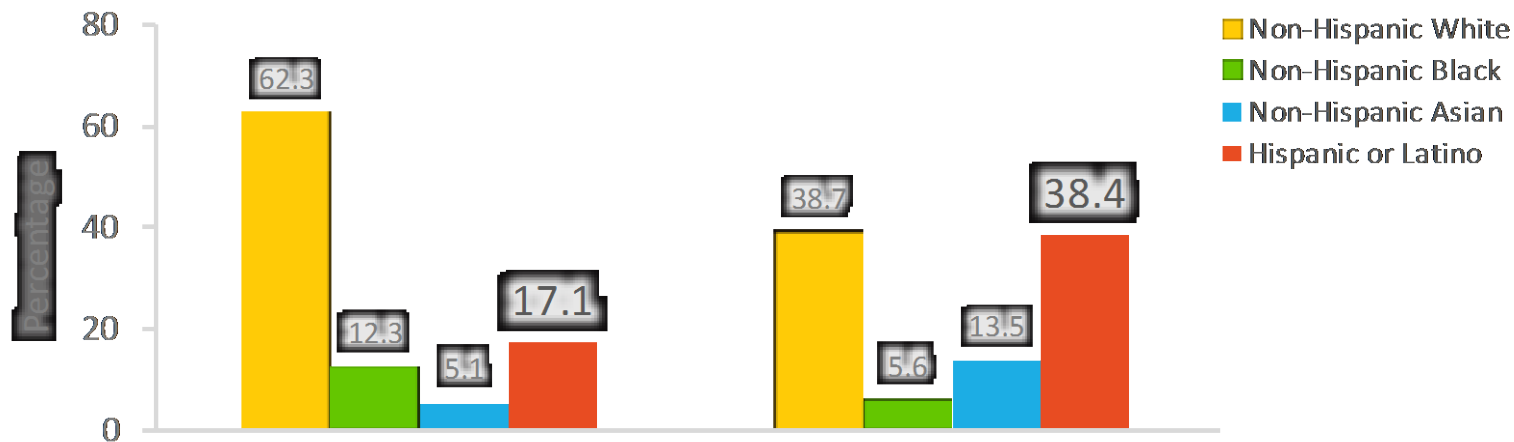
Understand different methods of validation appropriate for obesity prevention tools

- View 5 examples of 'real world applications' of valid obesity prevention tools





Race / Ethnicity Distribution



United States

California



Country of Origin

64%

Mexican

16%

Caribbean

9%

Central American

83%

9%

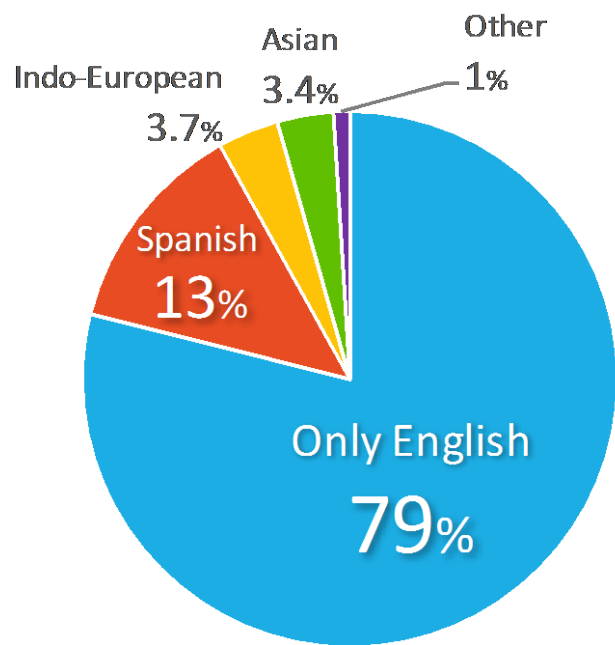
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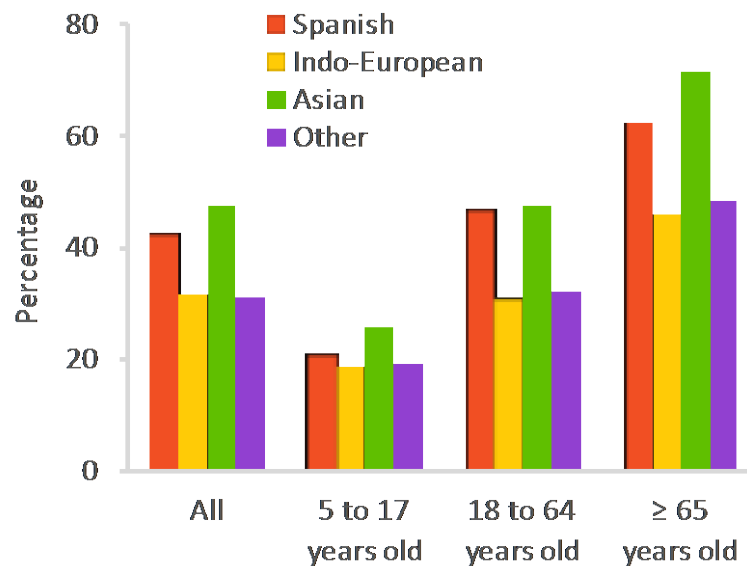
Language Spoken at Home

in the U.S.



Ability to Speak English

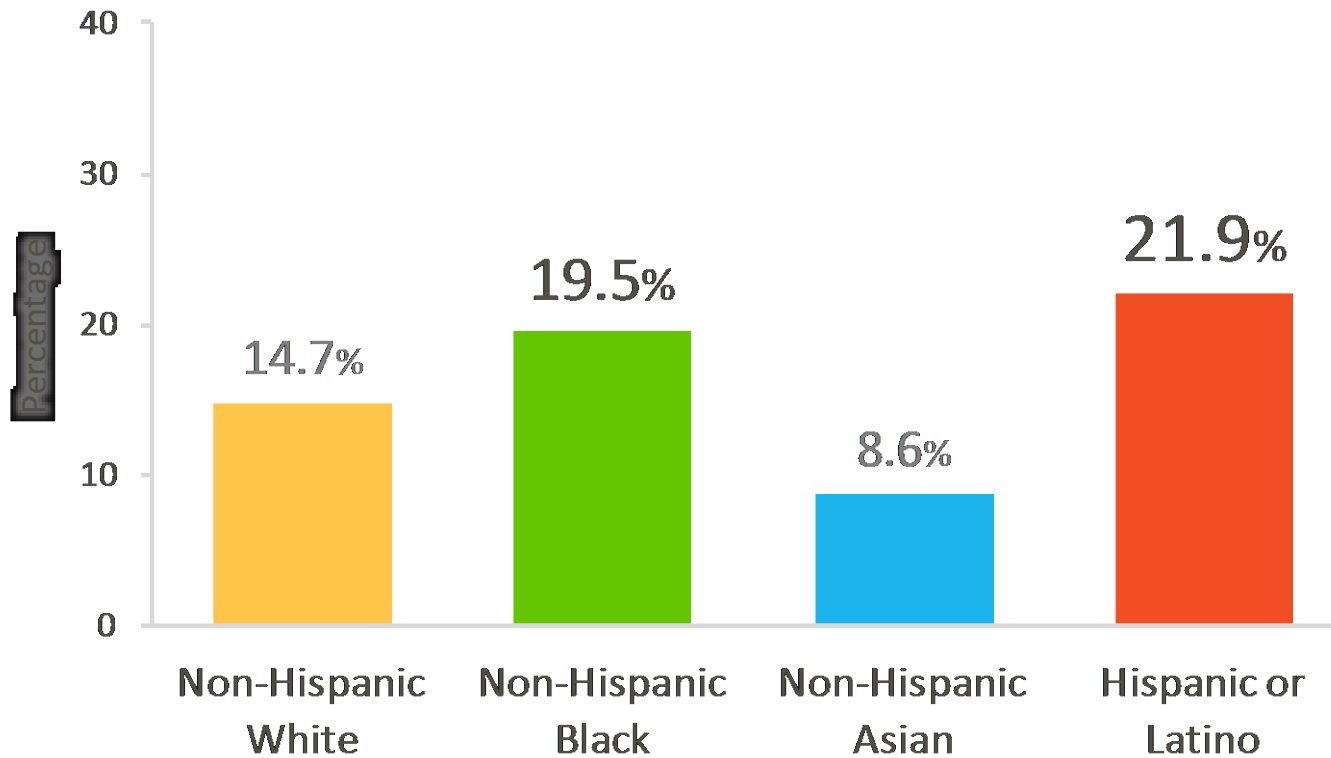
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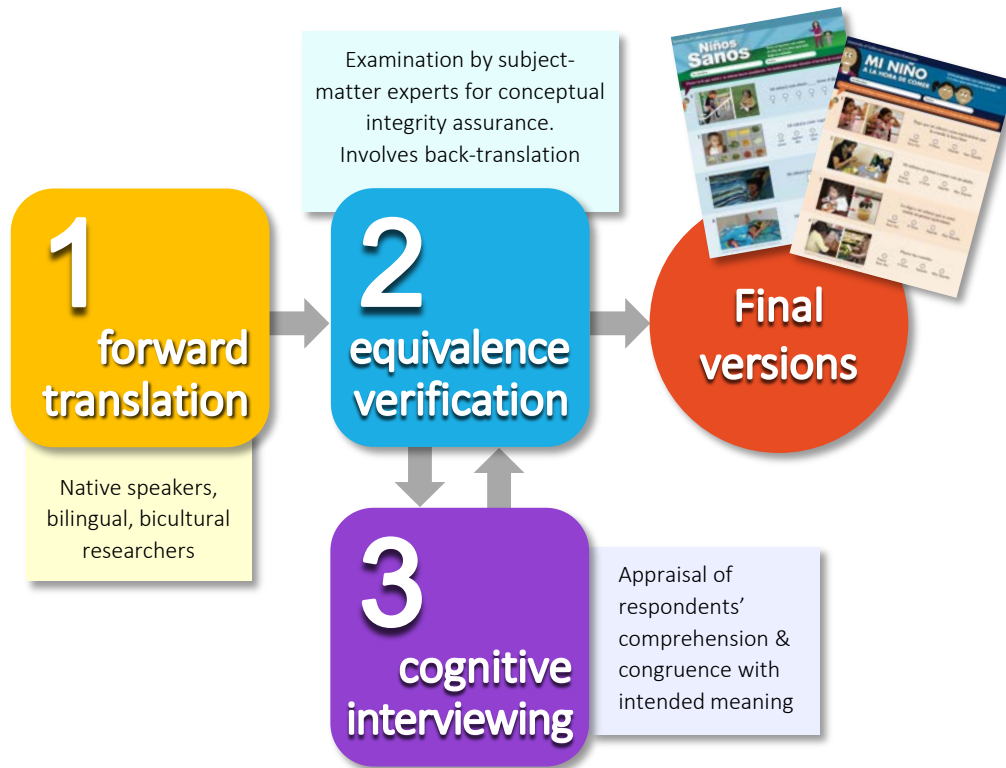


Childhood Obesity Prevalence

Youth aged 2-19 years (2011-2014)



Adaptation Process



[interview domains]

How would you respond to this question?

Comprehension
ability to respond/react to item

Can you please read the question aloud?

Clarity
of words and syntax

What does this scenario look like in your household?

Relevance
real-life situations connection

Are there any words you would change?

Appropriateness
of language & meaning

Does the photo represent the question asked?

Visuals
suitability & usefulness

Does the Spanish version ask the same as the English version?

Bilingual
equivalence of versions

Adaptation Process



[interview domains]

Can you tell me what food is represented in this picture?

Clarity

Do you eat this vegetable?

Relevance

Is the vegetable well represented by these pictures?

Suitability

What pictures would better represent this vegetable?

Appropriateness



Examples

I buy fruit

Yo **Compro** frutas



casi nunca



a veces



con
frecuencia



con mucha
frecuencia



siempre

I eat fruit times a day

Yo **Como** frutas veces al día



Examples

“Yes, he
eats fruit”

I eat fruit times a day

Yo como frutas veces al día

Comprehension



Examples

Snack

Bocadillo
Refrigerio
Merienda
Entre comidas
Aperitivo
...

My child eats a **snack** at about
the same time everyday

Mi niño(a) se come un **snack** casi
a la misma hora todos los días

☐
nunca /
rara vez

☐
a veces

☐
seguido

☐
muy seguido

Appropriateness



Examples

I plan my meals

Planeo mis comidas



nunca /
rara vez



a veces



seguido



muy
seguido

"I don't
like to
freeze
things"



Planeo mis comidas



nunca /
rara vez



a veces



seguido



muy
seguido



Relevance

Examples

I eat out times a week

Como fuera veces a la semana

¿Cuántas veces a la semana come fuera?

☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 o más

¿Cuántas veces **al mes** come fuera?

☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 o más

"We only eat out once or twice a month"

Comprehension

Relevance



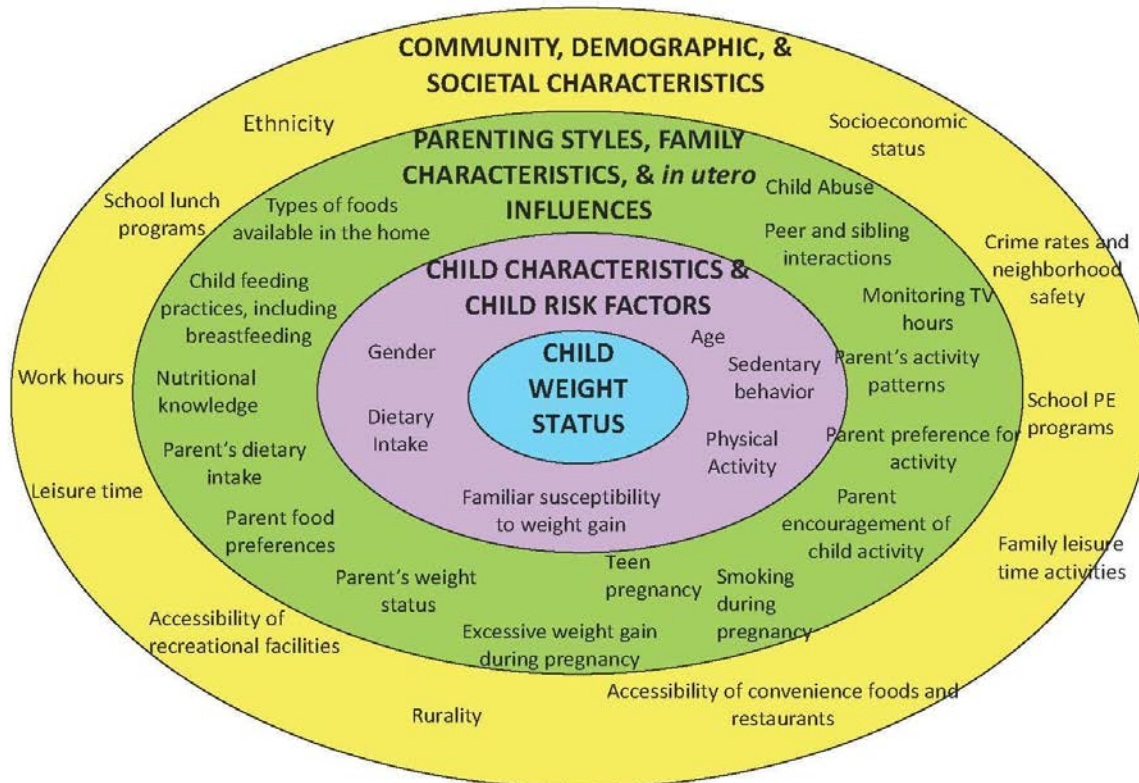
Validating Parent Responses with Observed Behaviors at Mealtime

Lenna Ontai, PhD

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Child Obesity

Ecological Model of Childhood Overweight



Based on expanded version of Davison & Birch (2001), enhanced by Reed et al, 2011. Obesity in Rural Youth: Looking Beyond Nutrition and Physical Activity. JNE Vol.43, No. 5, Pg. 403.



PARENTING AND CHILD OBESITY

► Evidence of intervention viability

- A 2011 review¹ identified 7 intervention studies.
- A 2015 review² identified an additional 8
- Evidence across the majority of studies for a moderate effect of parenting interventions to prevent obesity risk.
- Better results when parenting education is delivered with lifestyle education
- Some evidence that approach works best with young children
 - Parents have a lot of control
 - Children's dietary preferences not set (ages 3 to 8)

¹Gerards et al. (2011). Interventions addressing general parenting to prevent or treat childhood obesity. *Intl J Ped Obesity*, 6, e28-e45.

²Gerards & Kremers (2015). The role of food parenting skills and the home food environment in children's weight gain and obesity. *Curr Obes Rep*, 4, 30-36



MEALTIME BEHAVIOR



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MyChild at Meal Time

These questions are about the 3-5 year old child in your care.

Name _____ Date _____ Child's Name _____ Age _____

Think about what you usually do when your child is eating. Do not include school time. Mark your answer.

1.  I get my child to eat by explaining that the food is good for him. ☐ no/rarely ☐ sometimes ☐ often ☐ very often

2.  My child sits and eats with an adult. ☐ no/rarely ☐ sometimes ☐ often ☐ very often

3.  I tell my child she will get a treat for eating. ☐ no/rarely ☐ sometimes ☐ often ☐ very often

4.  I plan meals. ☐ no/rarely ☐ sometimes ☐ often ☐ very often

10.   I get my child to eat by making food fun. ☐ no/rarely ☐ sometimes ☐ often ☐ very often

2.4 avg Flesh-Kincaid

27 items

Average time to complete: 5 mins

Parent-Centered & Child-Centered Scores



MEALTIME BEHAVIORS



- ▶ 60 families with a preschool aged child
 - ▶ Recruited through WIC and Head Start
- ▶ Completed the My Child at Mealtime tool
- ▶ Completed the Parenting Dimensions Inventory (measure of general parenting quality)
- ▶ Videotaped mealtime at their home
 - ▶ Routine mealtime that happens regularly
 - ▶ Most of the family members participate on a regular basis throughout the week



Mealtime Behaviors

► Coded behaviors

► Child Centered Behaviors:

- Eating with child
- Positive statements
- Assisting with eating

► Parent Centered Behaviors:

- Physical manipulation
- Verbal directives/demands to eat
- Bargaining





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DO THEY DO WHAT THEY SAY?



Associations with observed parent behaviors during mealtime (N=60)

<u>Parent Centered Items</u>	Physical manipulation	Verbal directive/demand	Bargaining
I tell my child she will get a treat for eating.	.243	.303*	.379**
I remind my child to keep eating her food.	.304*	.287*	.277*
I tell my child he will get in trouble for not eating.	.037	.192	.335**
I struggle with my child to get her to eat.	.048	.260*	.219
I warn my child he will not get a treat if he does not eat.	.242	.247	.301*
I hand-feed my child to get her to eat.	.259*	.047	.289*
I say to my child, "Hurry up and eat your food."	.140	.082	-.097
I tell my child that she needs to eat an item on her plate.	-.008	-.009	.159
I tell my child I do not like that he is not eating.	.084	.083	.331**
I tell my child that I will reward her for eating with TV, playtime, or videogames.	.057	.231	.234
My child skips meals.	.041	.003	-.136
I beg my child to eat his food.	-.036	-.076	.168

DO THEY DO WHAT THEY SAY?



Associations with observed parent behaviors during mealtime
(N=60)

	Positive Statement	Eating with Child	Assisting with Eating
Child Centered Items			
I get my child to eat by explaining that the food is good for him.	.087	.066	-.1791
My child sits and eats with an adult.	-.216	-.008	.132
I plan meals.	-.296*	-.100	-.298*
I ask my child to try a little bit of a new food.	.088	.006	-.020
I prepare at least one food that I know my child will eat.	.077	.116	-.154
I praise my child for eating.	-.039	-.220	-.198
I help my child with eating.	.022	.086	-.035
I get my child to eat by making food fun.	.166	-.067	-.080
My child eats a snack at about the same time everyday.	-.025	.021	-.041
My child eats dinner about the same time everyday.	-.121	-.251	.029
I say good things about the food my child is eating.	-.187	-.067	-.079
I ask my child to pick from foods already cooked.	-.077	-.244	-.072
I ask my child questions about the food she is eating.	-.209	-.045	-.062
I let my child serve himself.	.003	-.059	.078



DO THEY DO WHAT THEY SAY?



My Child at Mealtime		
	Parent Centered	Child Centered
Observed Parent Centered Behaviors	.258*	-.214
Observed Child Centered Behaviors	.130	.074
Nurturance	-.108	.440***
Inconsistency	.547***	-.048

- ▶ Constellations of observed behaviors corresponded to the My Child at Mealtime scores for parent-centered feeding.
- ▶ Self-reports of general parenting corresponded to their My Child at Mealtime scores



CONCLUSIONS



- ▶ Parent responses to MCMT items correspond to their use of parent-centered behaviors during mealtimes.
- ▶ Positive parent feeding behaviors are more difficult to capture during a single mealtime.
- ▶ Observations of mealtimes are valuable tools to help understand how these behaviors may operate during feeding interactions.
- ▶ MCMT can be a valuable resource for programs aiming to build parenting skills to improve the mealtime environment.



Using Biomarkers to Validate Healthy Kids Obesity Assessment Tools

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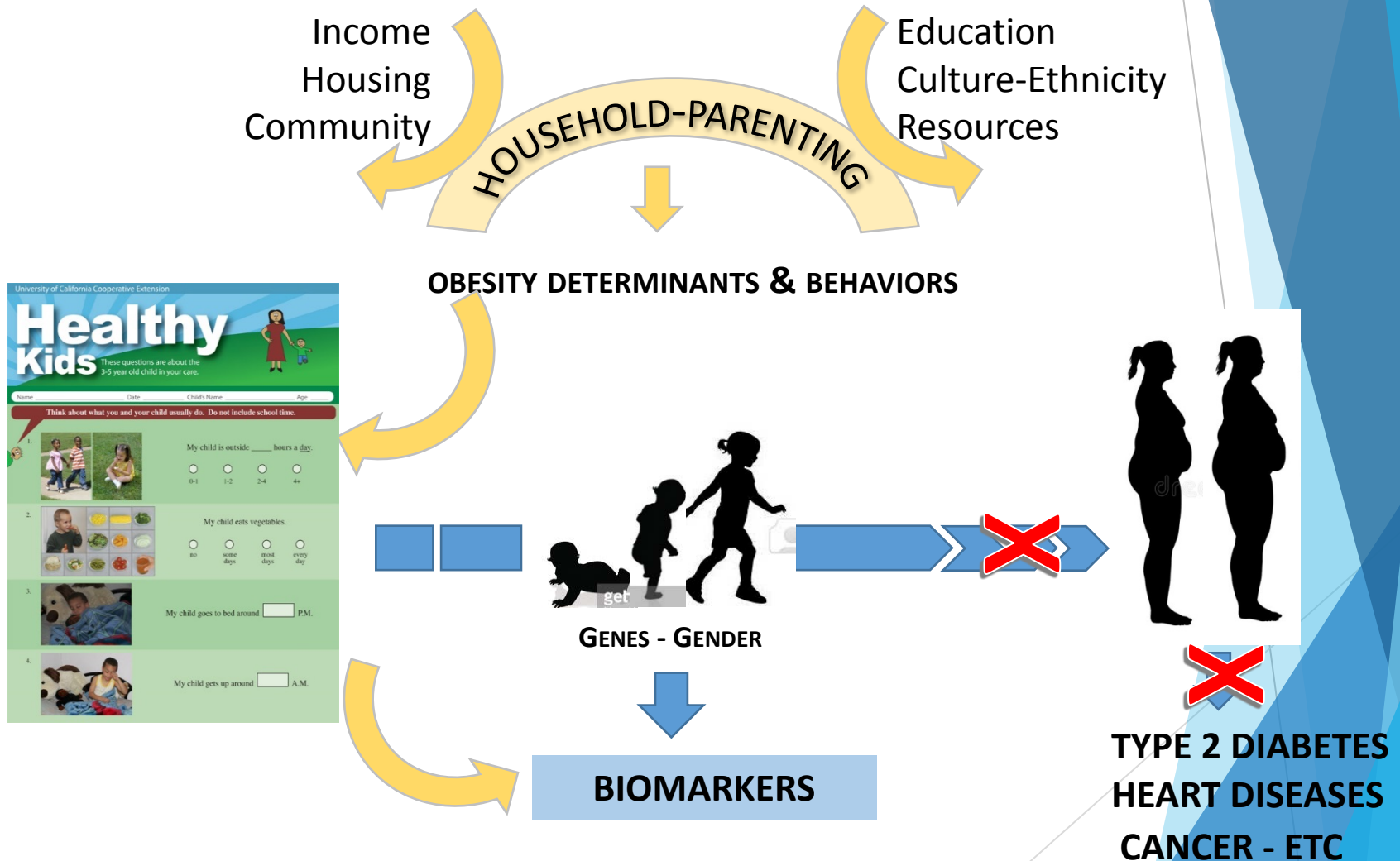
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Why Biomarkers?



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ADVANTAGES:

COMPARED TO SELF-REPORT ASSESSMENTS (24h recall, FFQ etc) THAT CAN BE SUBJECTIVE & BIAS, BIOMARKERS (& ANTHROPOMETRICS) ARE OBJECTIVE MEASUREMENTS

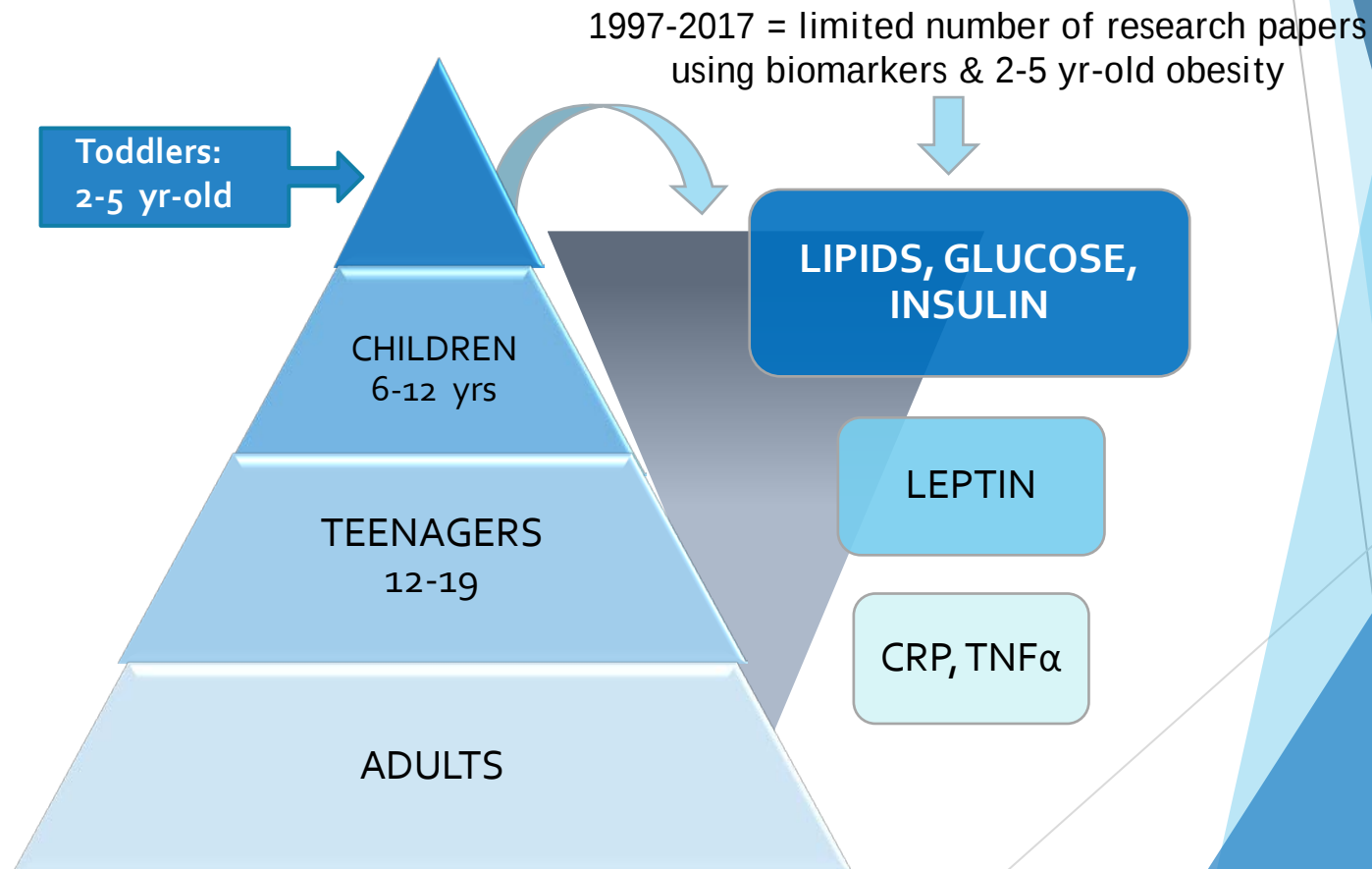
LIMITATIONS:

BIOMARKERS' COLLECTION & ANALYSES ARE COMPLEX;
REQUIRE COLLABORATORS & MONEY

Biomarkers of obesity in 2-5 yr old

Scientific literature of 2-5 yr old & obesity:

- ▶ Anthropometric data most often reported
- ▶ Few studies include biomarkers
- ▶ Few biomarkers reported



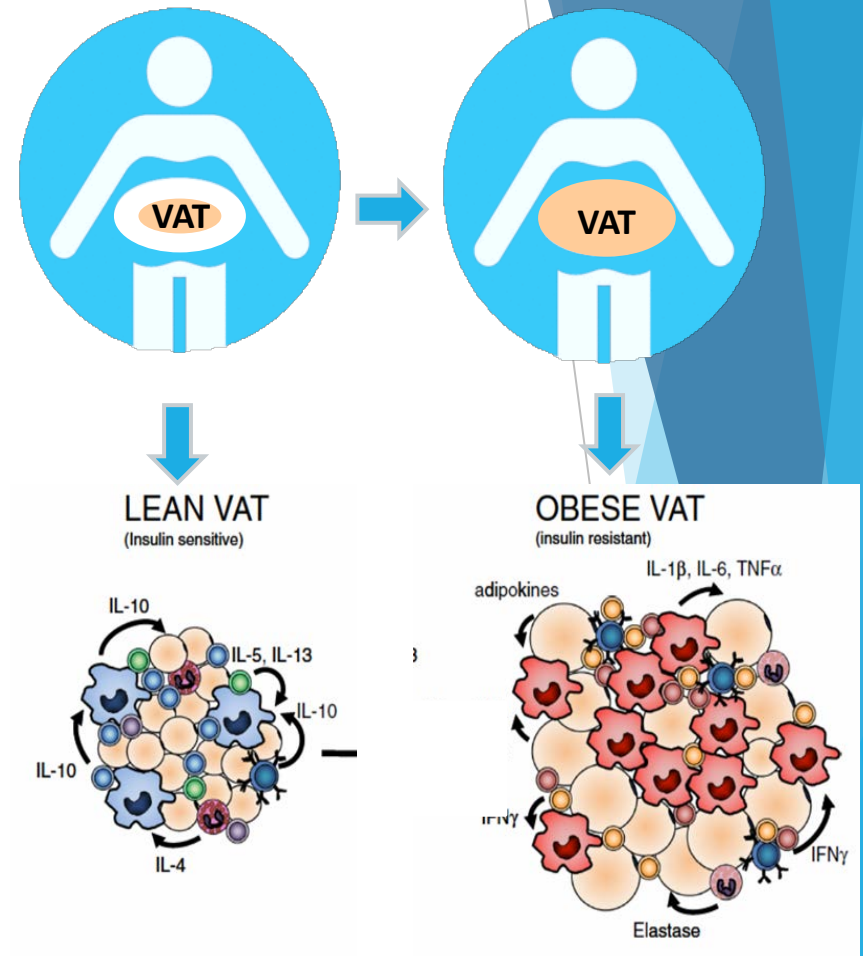
Obesity can result in inflammation

Obesity is characterized by the accumulation of fat in the abdominal cavity (visceral adipose tissue (VAT)).

VAT is composed of fat cells but also includes reactive immune cells.

Obesity = Excess VAT = Excess reactive cells
= Increased production and secretion of compounds (adipokines) in blood.

Some of these adipokines have inflammatory properties and can predispose to other metabolic diseases such as diabetes.



Children obesity & biomarkers : few studies have measured these adipokines

Biomarkers in the Healthy Kids Study

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Healthy Kids

These questions are about the 3-5 year old child in your care.

Name _____ Date _____ Child's Name _____ Age _____

Think about what you and your child usually do. Do not include school time.

1.  My child is outside _____ times a day.
☐ 0-1 ☐ 1-2 ☐ 3-4 ☐ 5+

2.  My child eats vegetables.
☐ no ☐ some days ☐ most days ☐ every day

3.  My child goes to bed around _____ P.M.

4.  My child gets up around _____ A.M.

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Healthy Kids

Focus on Veggies

Name _____ Date _____

1.  I buy vegetables.
☐ early ☐ some days ☐ most days ☐ every day

2.  My child eats vegetables.
☐ early ☐ some days ☐ most days ☐ every day

3.  My child eats snack foods like apples, bananas or carrots.
☐ rarely ☐ some days ☐ most days ☐ every day

4.  My child uses me eat vegetables.
☐ rarely ☐ some days ☐ most days ☐ every day

Healthy Kids

Focus on Snacks

Name _____ Date _____

1.  My child eats snack foods like apples, bananas or carrots.
☐ rarely ☐ some days ☐ most days ☐ every day

2.  My child drinks sports drinks or sugared drinks _____ times a day.
☐ 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21 ☐ 22 ☐ 23 ☐ 24

3.  I buy chips, candy or cookies.
☐ sometimes ☐ often ☐ most of the time ☐ always

4.  I keep vegetables ready for my child to eat.
☐ rarely ☐ some days ☐ most days ☐ every day

5.  I keep chips, candy or cookies.
☐ sometimes ☐ often ☐ most of the time ☐ always

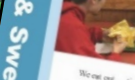
6.  I know what my child watches on TV.
☐ only ☐ sometimes ☐ often ☐ very often ☐ always

Healthy Kids

Focus on Activity

Name _____ Date _____

1.  My child is active.
☐ 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21 ☐ 22 ☐ 23 ☐ 24

2.  My child is active.
☐ 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21 ☐ 22 ☐ 23 ☐ 24

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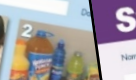
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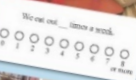
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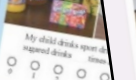
Focus on Fats & Sweets

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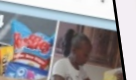
1.  We eat out _____ times a week.
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4.  I buy chips, candy or cookies.
☐ rarely ☐ sometimes ☐ often ☐ most of the time ☐ always

5.  I eat fast food _____ times a week.
☐ 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21 ☐ 22 ☐ 23 ☐ 24

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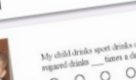
Focus on Sweet Drinks

Name _____ Date _____

1.  My child drinks soda or sugared drinks.
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Healthy Kids Study Timeline

- ▶ Target Participants:
 - ▶ 144 Parent/child pairs from WIC & Head Start
 - ▶ Ethnically diverse (2-5yr)
- ▶ Data Collected:
 - ▶ 13 time points/~2yrs
 - ▶ Self-Reported (food/sleep/screen/activity) + Healthy Kids (HK)
 - ▶ Anthropometrics (4)
 - ▶ Blood draws (BD) (3)



- ▶ Biomarkers:
 - ▶ > 25 blood biomarkers
 - ▶ Grouped into 6 indices:
 - PRO-INFLAMMATORY
 - ANTI-INFLAMMATORY
 - LIPIDS
 - METABOLIC
 - FAT
 - CAROTENE



Biomarkers Analyses

Blood samples



USDA-WHNRC

Adipokines
Adiponectin/Leptin
Insulin

Vitamin A (retinol)
Carotenoids
Vitamin E (tocopherols)

UCD-Med Center

Lipid Panel
Glucose

Multiplex Immunoassay

HPLC

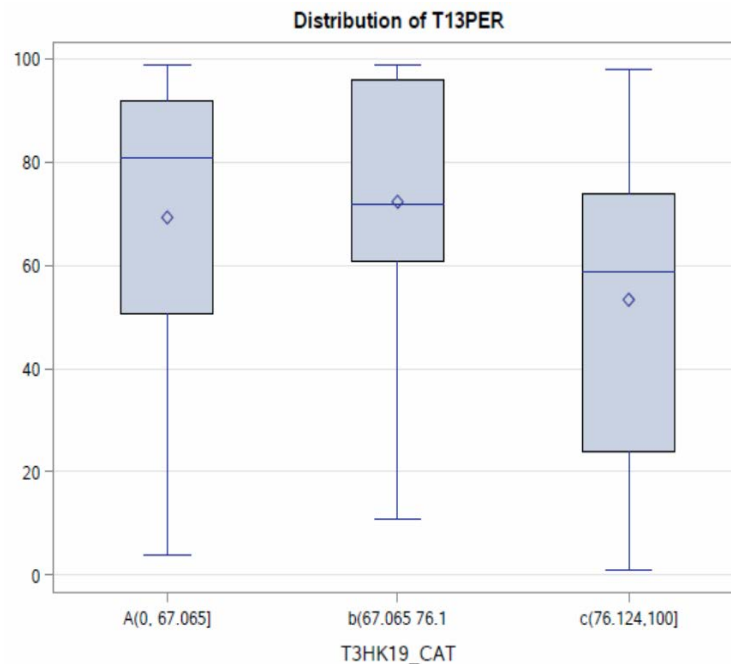
Enzymatic assay



Validation...Healthy Kids

Predictive validity = ability to predict BMI.

A better score at baseline predicts children with lower BMI-for-age percentile 2 years later [p=.02].



**BMI-for-age percentiles
(CDC)**

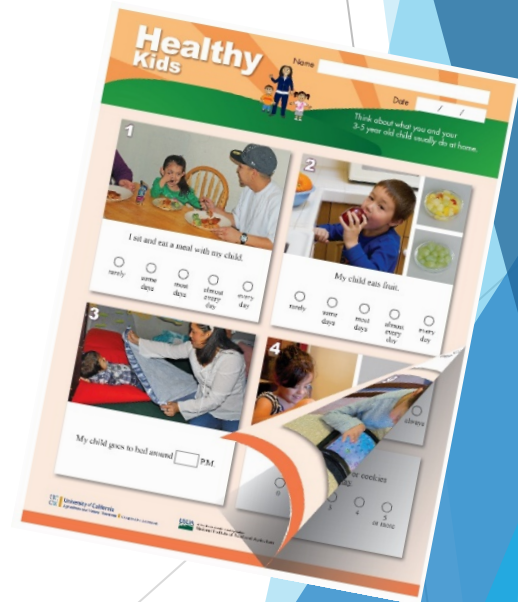
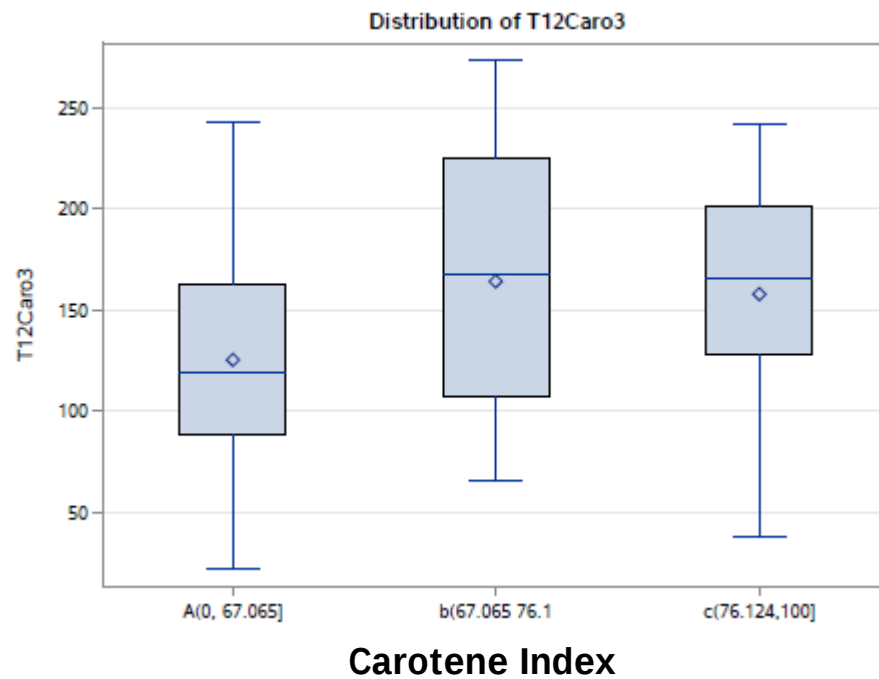


Reliability, $r=.79$
Readability, grade 1-2

Validation...Healthy Kids

Predictive validity = ability to predict health.

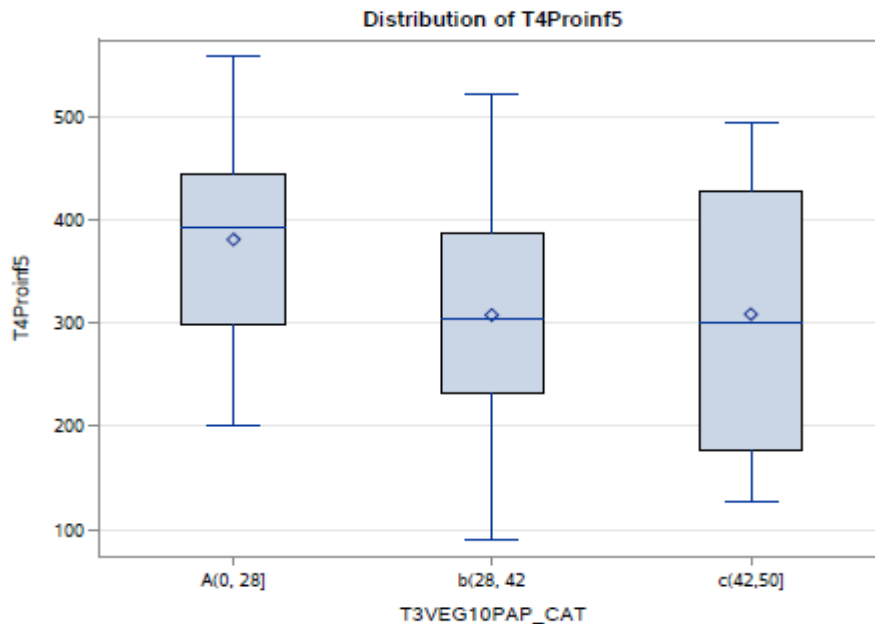
A better score at baseline predicts children with better Vitamin A status 1 year later [$p=.0008$].



Validation...Focus on Veggies

Indicative validity = Focus on Veggies is a powerful indicator of kids' health as validated by concurrent biomarkers & diet recalls.

Higher scores on Focus on Veggies: children with less inflammation [$p = .034$].



Higher scores on Focus on Veggies: better dietary recall: greater cup equivalents [$p < .05$]; more vitamin A [$p < .001$], more B-carotene [$p < .001$] & other nutrients.



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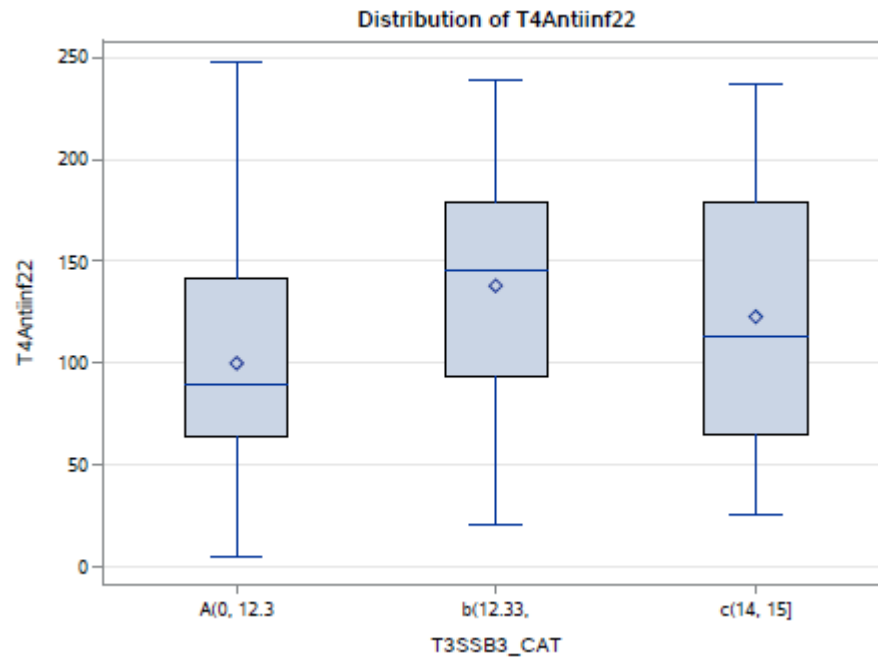
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Validation...Focus on Sweet Drinks

Indicative validity = Focus on Sweet Drink, 3-item tool is a powerful indicator of kids' health as validated by concurrent biomarkers & diet recalls.

Higher scores (lower consumption) on Focus on Sweet Drinks: children with higher levels of anti-inflammation markers [$p = .026$].

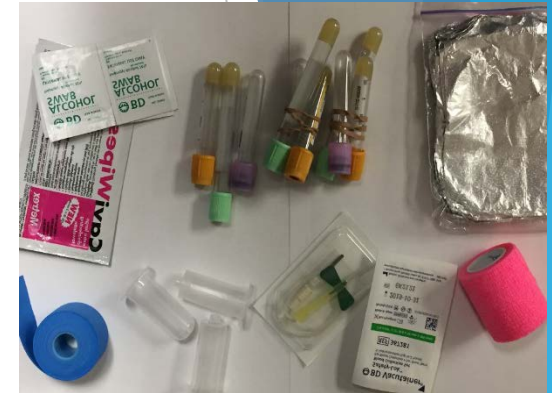


Higher scores on tool: parent reported less sugar in child' diet [$p < .05$] and parents drinking less sweet beverages [$p < .00001$].

Lessons Learned

Be prepared/Sample Collection Requires:

- ▶ Material (tubes, labels, gauzes, syringes, etc)
- ▶ Confidentiality (IRB approval, Labels)
- ▶ Child is healthy (fasted, hydrated & no fever)
- ▶ Sterility (during collection & disposal)
- ▶ Ice (during collection & transport)
- ▶ Lab for recovery, storage & analyses of blood



Ensure child well-being:

- ▶ GOOD PHLEBOTOMIST!
- ▶ Private space
- ▶ Importance of parents (prep call)
- ▶ Snacks & Juices available
- ▶ Prizes!!



Take Home

Use of Biomarkers in Childhood Obesity Study:

- ▶ Complex at different levels: selection of biomarkers, collection, analyses & interpretation.
- ▶ Results indicate: need of a large sample size (>100) for statistical significance.
- ▶ Ability to measure a large number of different markers (obesity, cardiac health, diabetes risk, etc).
- ▶ Can be used as predictors and indicators.
- ▶ Can be used to validate self-report tools.
- ▶ **VALIDATION of the HEALTHY KID TOOLS**

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Learning Objectives

At the end of the session,

- ▶ the participant will list 3 concepts to consider when developing obesity prevention tools.
- ▶ the participant will understand different methods of validation appropriate for obesity prevention tools.
- ▶ the participant will view 5 examples of 'real world applications' of valid obesity prevention tools.

Outline

- ▶ Website
 - ▶ Photographic Tailoring
 - ▶ Goal setting
- ▶ Education
 - ▶ Traditional
 - ▶ Medical Clinic
 - ▶ Kiosk
- ▶ Mini-tools

Real World Applications



Healthy Kids Website

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PARENTS

Want to keep your child healthy?

Take the survey and have goals created just for you and your child!

Click a survey to begin



Educators

Are you using these surveys with your classes? *Healthy Kids* or *My Child at Meal Time*?

Begin here to quickly enter completed surveys for an entire class. Create personal goal sheets for each participant.

[Login Here](#)

New User? [Create an account here.](#)

Directors

Want to use these surveys with your program? Register and open an account to have access to these tools.

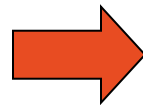
Download the current *Healthy Kids* or *My Child at Meal Time* surveys or create photo-customized versions tailored to your target audience.

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Healthy Kids Website-Tailoring Images

- ▶ The Photobank gives you up to 4 additional photos for each HK & MCMT question
 - ▶ Asian
 - ▶ Black
 - ▶ White
 - ▶ Hispanic/Latino ethnicity



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Healthy Kids

These questions are about the 3-5 year old child in your care.

Name _____ Date _____ Child's Name _____ Age _____

Think about what you and your child usually do. Do not include school time.

1.  My child is outside _____ hours a day.
☐ 0-1 ☐ 1-2 ☐ 2-4 ☐ 4+

2.  My child eats vegetables.
☐ no ☐ some days ☐ most days ☐ every day

3.  My child goes to bed around _____ P.M.

4.  My child gets up around _____ A.M.

Guided Goal Setting

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MyChild at Meal Time

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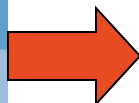
Think about what you usually do when your child is eating. Do not include school time. Mark your answer.

1. I get my child to eat by explaining that the food is good for him. ☐ not rarely ☐ sometimes ☐ often ☐ very often

2. My child sits and eats with an adult. ☐ not rarely ☐ sometimes ☐ often ☐ very often

3. I tell my child she will get a treat for eating. ☐ not rarely ☐ sometimes ☐ often ☐ very often

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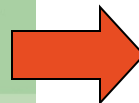
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3. My child goes to bed around _____ PM.

4. My child gets up around _____ A.M.



Goals are Tailored to Parent Responses

YOUR NUTRITION Quiz Results



Thank you Danielle for taking the time to complete the Healthy Kids quiz. We hope you this feedback will help you and your family make healthy food and activity choices.

Good job! You serve dairy and calcium foods.

Check one major goal you would like to work on. Then choose one of the minor goals beneath it to work on this week.

Major Goal

☐ You may want to work on helping your child be more physically active.

3 ways to do this would be:

Minor Goals

- ☐ Play outside with your child 3 d
- ☐ Keep your child's screen time to
- ☐ Take your child to the park at le

OR

Major Goal

☐ You may want to add more fruit and snacks.

3 ways to do this would be:

Minor Goals

- ☐ Let your child choose a fruit and
- ☐ Offer your family 2 vegetables
- ☐ Fix a fruit or vegetable snack w



Healthy Kids Website-Guided Goal Setting

- Select a tool



- Answer questions

Think about what you and your child usually do. Do not include school time.

Question 1

My child is outside ____ hours a day.

☐ 0
☐ 1
☐ 2
☐ 3
☐ 4
☐ 5 or more

Next Cancel

- Print individualized goal sheets

YOUR NUTRITION Quiz Results

Thank you Maria for taking the time to complete the Healthy Kids quiz. We hope this feedback will help you and your family make healthy feeding choices.

Good job! You are serving dairy and calcium foods at your family's meals.

Check one major goal. Then choose one of the minor goals.

MAJOR GOAL

☐ You may want to choose foods low in fat.

3 ways to do this would be:

Minor Goals

☐ Trim fat from meat or remove skin from chicken 3 times this week.

☐ Instead of whole-milk, serve reduced-fat or fat-free milk at your main meal 3 times this week.

☐ Instead of eating out this week, plan a meal where your family is involved in the preparation.

OR

MAJOR GOAL

☐ You may want to work on limiting your child's screen time.

3 ways to do this would be:

Minor Goals

☐ Limit your child's screen time to 1-2 hours 3 times this week.

Healthy Kids Website-Guided Goal Setting

- ▶ Educators can enter participant data easily
- ▶ Print multiple goal sheets at once

YOUR NUTRITION Quiz Results

Thank you Maria for taking the time to complete the Healthy Kids quiz. We hope this feedback will help you and your family make healthy feeding choices.

★ Good job! You are serving dairy and calcium foods at your family's meals.

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3 ways to do this would be:

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OR

☐ Instead of eating out this week, plan a meal where your family is involved in the preparation.

MAJOR GOAL

☐ You may want to work on limiting your child's screen time.

3 ways to do this would be:

MINOR GOALS

☐ Keep your child's screen time to 1-2 hours, 3 days this week.

☐ Remove TV/video games from your child's room this week.

☐ Play games with your child for 1 hour, 2 times this week when he or she usually watches TV.

Name*

☐ Bypass Question

1. My child is outside ____ hours a day. *

☐ 0

☐ 1

☐ 2

☐ 3

☐ 4

☐ 5 or more

☐ Bypass Question

2. My child eats vegetables. *

☐ rarely

☐ some days

☐ most days

☐ almost every day

☐ every day

☐ Bypass Question

3. My child goes to bed around ____ pm. *

☐ Bypass Question

4. My child gets up around ____ am. *

☐ Bypass Question

5. My child plays outside ____ days a week. *

☐ 0

☐ 1

☐ 2

☐ 3

Guided Goal Setting

- ▶ Parents reported a high level of goal effort and goal achievement.
- ▶ Parents reported preference for goal personalization & goal options.



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Community Education Setting

- ▶ HK evaluation tool
 - ▶ Pre and post intervention
 - ▶ 6-week parent education intervention
- ▶ Guided goal setting
- ▶ Significant difference in the HK 12-item energy density scale $p < .01$, HK 8-item vegetable scale $p < .05$ and 12-item snacking scale $p < .10$

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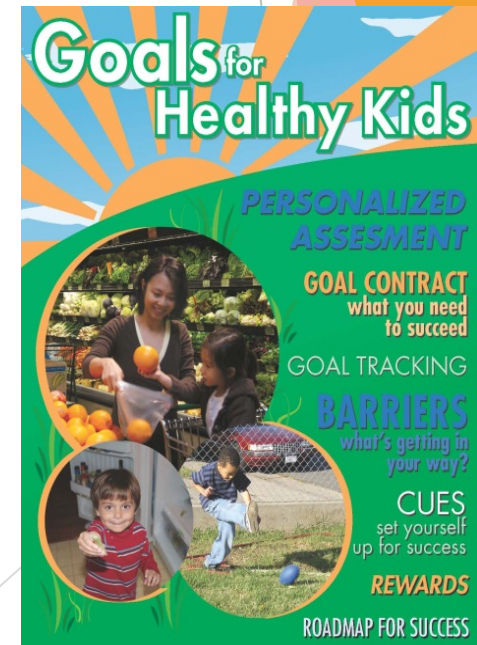
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Community Education Setting

- ▶ MCMT evaluation tool
 - ▶ Pre and post intervention
 - ▶ 6-week parent education intervention
 - ▶ Control group
- ▶ Guided goal setting
- ▶ Significant difference in the MCMT Responsiveness scale $p < .05$

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MyChild at Meal Time

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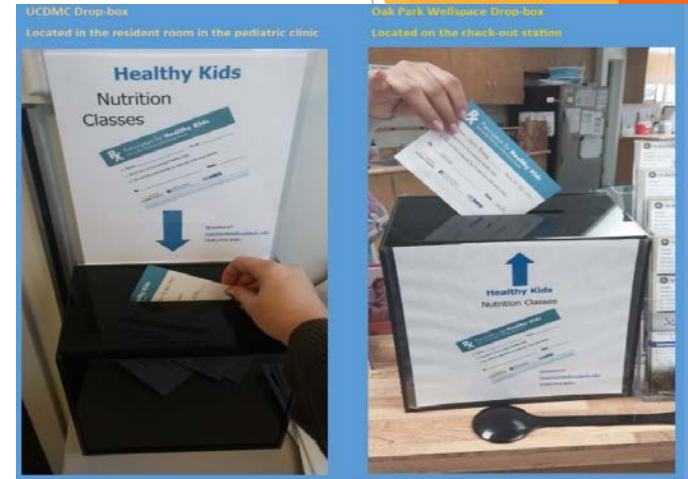
4. I plan meals.

radio buttons: rarely, sometimes, often, very often



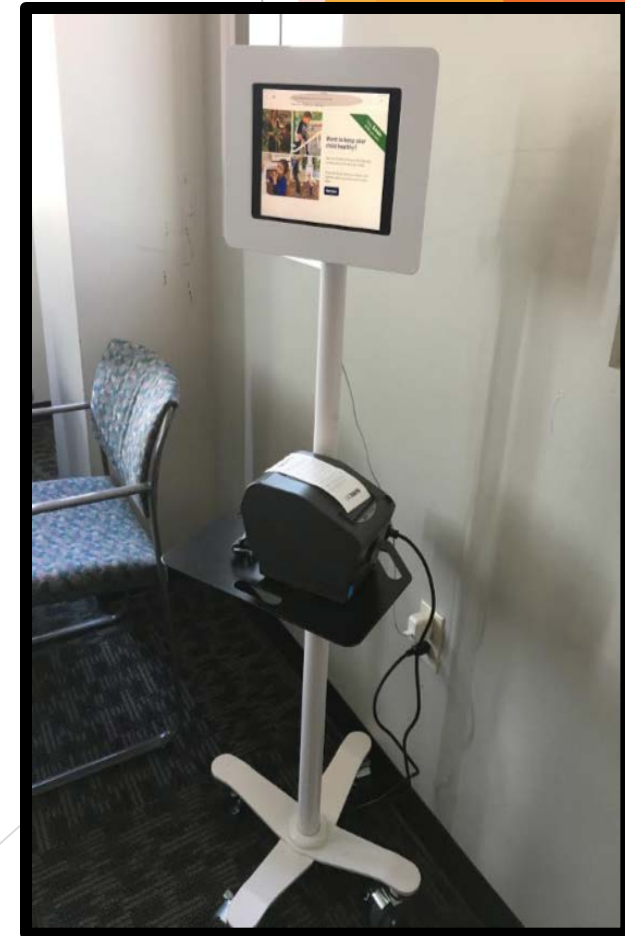
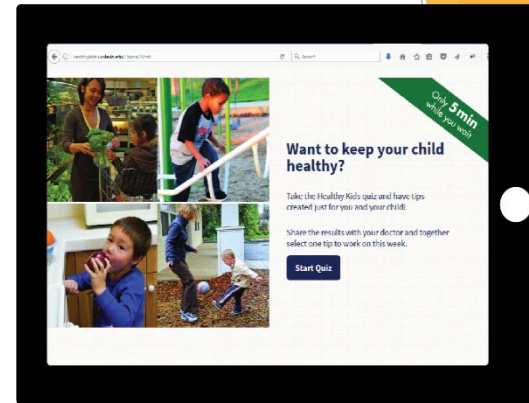
Medical Clinic Setting

- ▶ HK & MCMT evaluation tools in English and Spanish
 - ▶ Pre and post intervention
 - ▶ 8-week EFENP parent education intervention
- ▶ Guided goal setting
- ▶ Parents (n=22) report that goal setting activities (88%) were liked very much.
- ▶ 65% of parents stated that the physician referral was an important reason for enrolling.



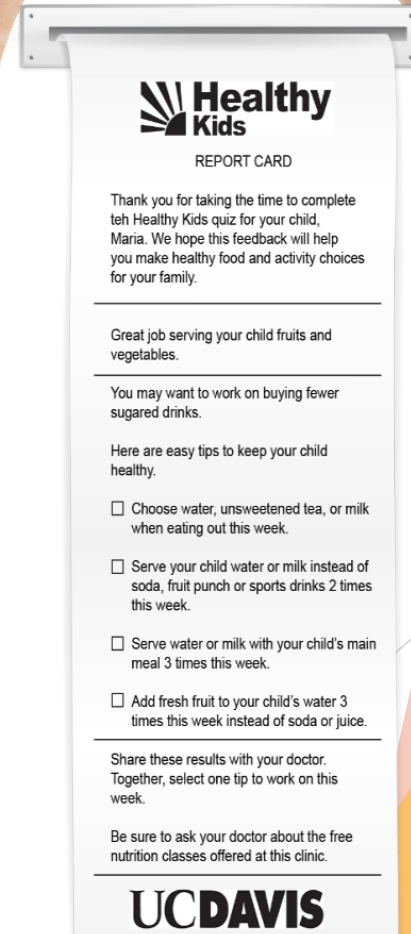
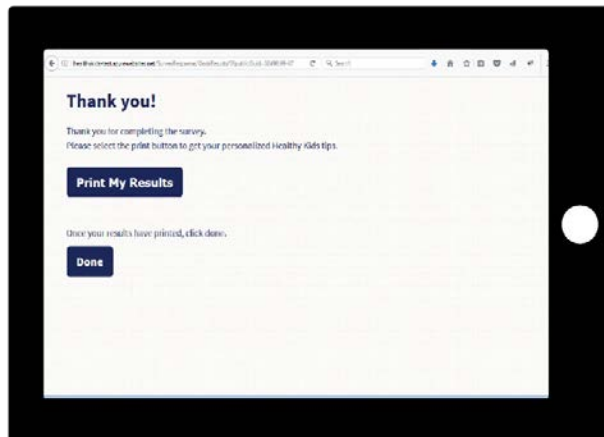
Medical Clinic Kiosk

- ▶ Content based on HK and MCMT
- ▶ Placed in pediatric clinic waiting room
- ▶ To facilitate pediatric obesity risk communication between parents & pediatricians.
- ▶ To increase referrals to the EFNEP intervention.
- ▶ Meetings with clinic staff and physicians indicated kiosk needed to be:
 - ▶ small, mobile and have a printer attached



Medical Center Kiosk

- ▶ Pilot testing
 - ▶ 22-item kiosk survey took parents ~3 minutes to complete
- ▶ All parents (n=6) reported that it was “very easy” or “easy” to complete the survey
- ▶ Feasibility testing is ongoing



Mini Tools

For Parents of Preschoolers

The screenshot shows the 'Healthy Kids' online assessment tool. It has two main sections: 'MyChild at Meal Time' and 'Healthy Kids'. Both sections contain a series of questions about a child's eating habits, such as 'I get my child to eat by making the food in good for him/her', 'My child sits and eats with us', 'I put my child to bed with a treat', 'I plan meals', 'My child is outside', 'My child eats vegetables', 'My child goes to bed around', and 'My child gets up around'. Each question has a set of radio buttons for 'never', 'sometimes', 'often', and 'always'.



The image shows four printed cards from the 'Healthy Kids' assessment tool, each focusing on a different aspect of a child's diet and activity. Each card has a title, a 'Name' field, a 'Date' field, and a series of questions with radio buttons for 'never', 'sometimes', 'often', and 'always'.

- Focus on Activity:** Questions include 'My child plays outside', 'My child watches TV', and 'I know what my child watches on TV'.
- Focus on Snacks:** Questions include 'My child eats snack foods like apples, bananas or carrots', 'I buy chips, candy or cookies', 'I keep vegetables ready for my child to eat', 'My child eats snack foods like apples, bananas or carrots', and 'I buy fruits'.
- Focus on Veggies:** Questions include 'My child eats vegetables', 'I buy vegetables', and 'My child sees me eat vegetables'.
- Focus on Sweet Drinks:** Questions include 'My child drinks soda or sugary drinks', 'My child drinks sports drinks or sugary drinks', and 'My child drinks soda'.
- Focus on Fats & Sweets:** Questions include 'We eat out', 'My child drinks sports drinks or sugary drinks', 'I buy chips, candy or cookies', 'I trim fat before eating meat', and 'My child eats fast food'.

Each card also features a small photo of a child and a list of questions with radio buttons for 'never', 'sometimes', 'often', and 'always'.



Thank you

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Application of the Family Nutrition and Physical Activity (FNPA) screening tool for evaluating and impacting home obesogenic environments

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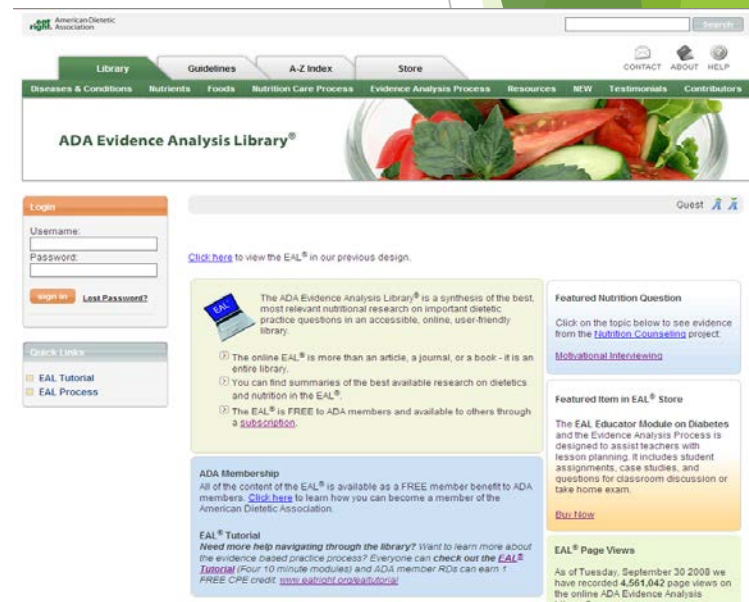


Overview of Process for the Development of the FNPA Tool

- ▶ Concept evolved through partnership with the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND)
- ▶ Interdisciplinary research team completed formal Evidence Analyses (EA) on childhood obesity w/AND:

- ▶ Esther Meyers – AND
- ▶ Pat Crawford – UC-Berkeley
- ▶ Lorraine Ritchie – UC-Berkeley
- ▶ Karen Peterson – Harvard
- ▶ Greg Welk – Iowa State
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- ▶ Constructs identified in the Evidence Analyses as being predictive of childhood obesity were the basis for FNPA items



10 Key Domains were identified in Evidence Analyses

1. **Breakfast and Family Meal**
2. **Modeling of Nutrition**
3. **Nutrient Dense Foods**
4. **High Calorie Beverages**
5. **Restriction and Reward**
6. **Parent Modeling Physical Activity**
7. **Child's Physical Activity**
8. **Screen Time**
9. **TV in Bedroom**
10. **Sleep and Schedule**

Domains were selected based on consistency and strength of associations in predicting childhood obesity.

These 10 factors had a grade of II or III

2 Questions were Developed for each Construct (n=20)



Family Nutrition & Physical Activity THE FNPA TOOL IS DESIGNED TO ALLOW YOU TO EVALUATE YOUR HOME ENVIRONMENT AND PARENTING PRACTICES RELATED TO YOUR CHILD'S RISK FOR OVERWEIGHT AND OBESITY.

FOR EACH QUESTION, PLEASE SELECT THE ANSWER THAT BEST REPRESENTS YOUR CHILD/FAMILY

	Almost Never	Some- times	Usually	Almost Always
1. My child eats breakfast....	☐	☐	☐	☐
2. Our family eats meals together....	☐	☐	☐	☐
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Total Score					_____



Self-scoring
rubric and
summary of
recommended
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promotes
awareness

Family Nutrition & Physical Activity A HIGHER SCORE ON EACH ITEM IS CONSIDERED THE "HEALTHIER CHOICE". A LOW FNPA SCORE MAY INDICATE AN INCREASED RISK FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF OBESITY. RECOMMENDED PRACTICES FOR EACH QUESTION ARE OUTLINED BELOW.

Family Meals (Recommended Practice)

It is important that children not skip breakfast as breakfast skipping has been linked to increased risk of overweight, particularly among older children and adolescents. Eating together as a family is also important for establishing positive family interactions related to eating.

Family Eating Practices (Recommended Practice)

Regular consumption of food away from home, particularly at fast food establishments, has been associated with increased risk for overweight, especially among adolescents. It is harder to make healthier choices when eating out so reducing meals out can promote healthier eating. It is also important to not watch television while eating meals as this may cause children to eat too much or to eat less healthy foods.

Food Choices (Recommended Practice)

Packaged foods generally contain more fat and salt than freshly prepared meals, and dietary fat intake is associated with higher overweight levels in youth. Eating more fruits and vegetables reduces a child's risk for overweight. The effect may be direct or indirect (by reducing consumption of other foods).

Beverage Choices (Recommended Practice)

Intake of sugar-sweetened beverages is related to increased risk of overweight in children. Studies also suggest that a child with a low intake of calcium may be at increased risk for becoming overweight.

Restriction/Reward (Recommended Practice)

It is important that parents not restrict highly palatable foods (such as snack food and candy) as this promotes a child's desire for such forbidden foods. It is important to monitor consumption of foods (but not to restrict it) since moderate consumption lets children learn to regulate their behavior. Foods should generally not be used as rewards because it causes children to value these foods over other healthier options.

Screen Time and Monitoring (Recommended Practice)

Excessive television viewing and video game use is associated with increased overweight in youth. Children should have 2 hours or less of screen time (television, video games, and computer time) per day. Parents should monitor and limit screen time.

Healthy Environment (Recommended Practice)

Creating a healthy environment is important for physical activity. Remove televisions from bedrooms is a good practice since it reduces likelihood of excess television viewing. Provide opportunities to be active.

Family Activity Behavior (Recommended Practice)

Parents are important role models for their children, so it is important to remind children about the importance of being physically active. By being active as a family you can help establish healthy lifestyle practices that promote and reinforce physical activity as a family value.

Child Activity Behavior (Recommended Practice)

A child's participation in regular physical activity is associated with a reduced risk of overweight. Parents can plan activity into their day but kids may need reminders or specific opportunities to help them be active every day.

Family Schedule/Sleep Routine (Recommended Practice)

It is important that a child has a daily routine or schedule for bedtime. Research suggests that lack of sleep and irregular routines may increase a child's risk for overweight.

Construct Validity: Cross Sectional Analyses

(Ihmels et al., 2009 - IJBNPA)

- ▶ Factor analyses revealed that the items loaded on a single factor (alpha reliability = 0.70)
- ▶ Logistic regression revealed that children with a total score in the lowest tertile (high risk family environment) had a greater likelihood of being overweight (odds ratio = 1.7).

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Development and preliminary validation of a Family Nutrition and Physical Activity (FNPA) screening tool

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Predictive Validity: Longitudinal Analyses

(Ihmels et al., 2009 – Annals of Behavioral Medicine)

- ▶ FNPA was a significant predictor of 1 year change in BMI after taking into account multiple variables
 - ▶ Baseline BMI
 - ▶ Parent BMI
 - ▶ Parent SES

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Features of Online FNPA Tool

- ▶ Easy to use (and FREE) online tool
- ▶ Customizable interface for specific projects
- ▶ Quick data entry for parents
- ▶ Personalized feedback with links to Kids Eat Right

Family Nutrition and Physical Activity Screening Tool



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Television Habits

1. Screen Time

My child watches television or plays on the computer (or with video games) for more than 4 hours each day.

My child watches little television but plays on the computer or with video games for 2-4 hours each day.

My child doesn't play on the computer (or with video games) but watches television for 2-4 hours each day.

My child watches television or plays on the computer (or with video games) less than 2 hours each day.

Recommended Practice

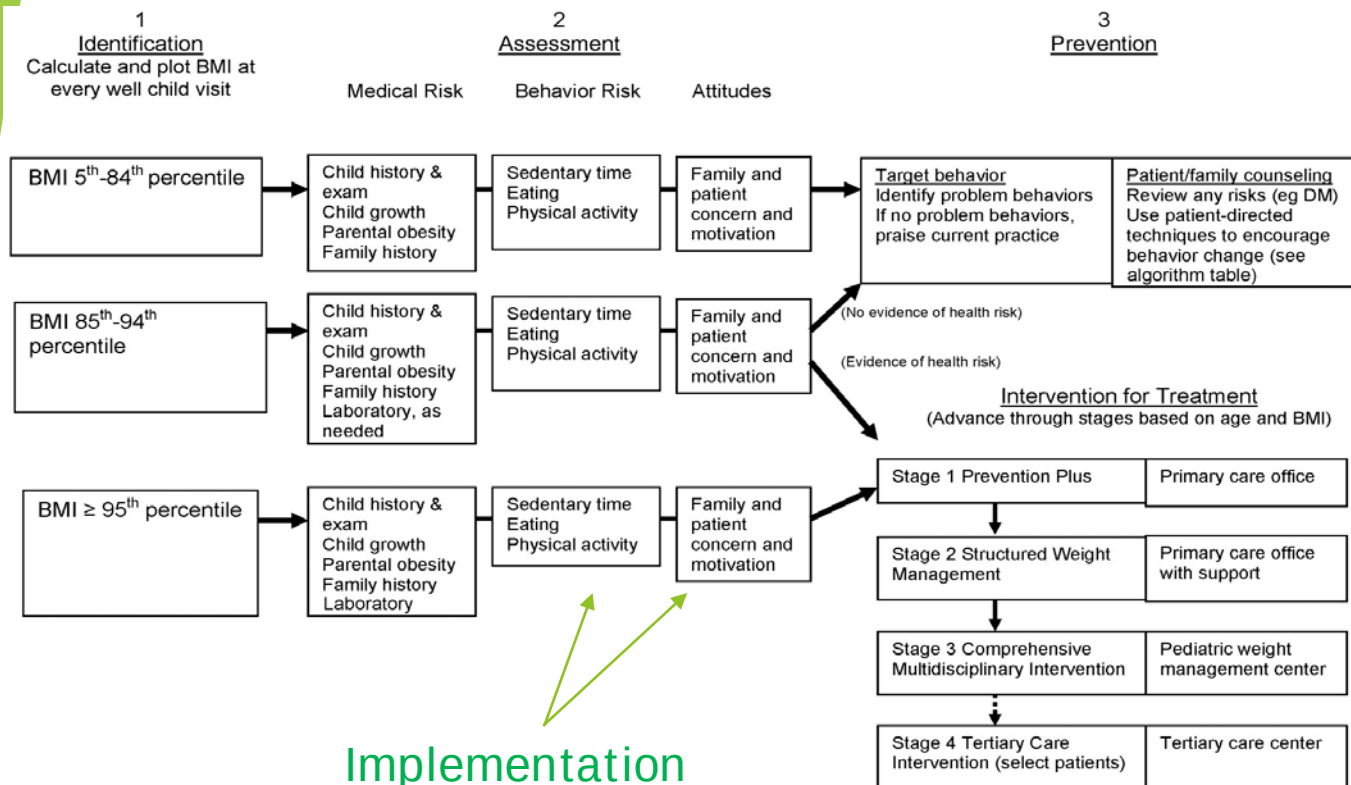
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Primary Care Provider Role

- ❑ Universal prevention
- ❑ Promotion of healthy lifestyle for patients and families
- ❑ Have a clear understanding of the complex and interconnected factors of weight gain
- ❑ Screening, identification and treatment of obesity-related comorbidities
- ❑ Use best available evidence
- ❑ Tailored counseling
- ❑ Advocacy



Universal Guidelines for Assessment, Prevention, and Treatment



Implementation
Gap that FNPA Can
Fill

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Recent Applications of the FNPA Tool for Clinical Applications

- The FNPA has been used in several clinical studies to facilitate parent education and family based counseling on obesity prevention
- Studies were in 3 different medical systems
 - Illinois (Chistison et al.)
 - Pennsylvania (Bailey-Davis et al.)
 - Iowa (Wolff et al.)



Illinois College of Medicine Study (Christison et al)

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BRIEF REPORT

Pairing Motivational Interviewing with a Nutrition and Physical Activity Assessment and Counseling Tool in Pediatric Clinical Practice: A Pilot Study

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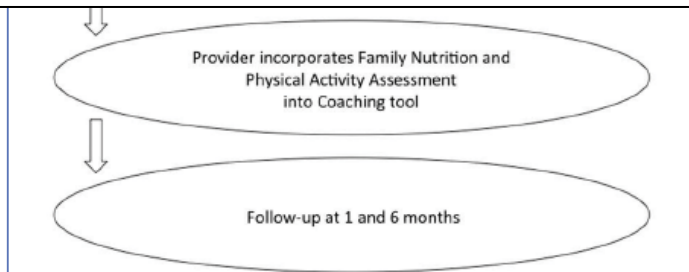


Figure 2. Flow diagram of methods.

	Could Do Sometimes	Could Do Most of Time	Could Do Almost Always
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☐ 13. Encourage 1 hour of daily physical activity			
☐ 14. Family physical activity ≥ 1 hour/week			
☐ 15. Scheduled bedtime			
☐ 16. Nine hours of sleep/night			
☐ 17. Other:			
☐ 18. Other:			

Figure 1. FNPA coaching tool. FNPA, the Family Nutrition and Physical Activity Screening Tool.

PREVENT Study

Geisinger Health Systems

(Lisa Bailey-Davis)

Geisinger

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**FNPA and
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Attitude
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Integrated
into Well
Child
Visits:**

Parent: Immediate feedback.
Discuss with physician today?

No

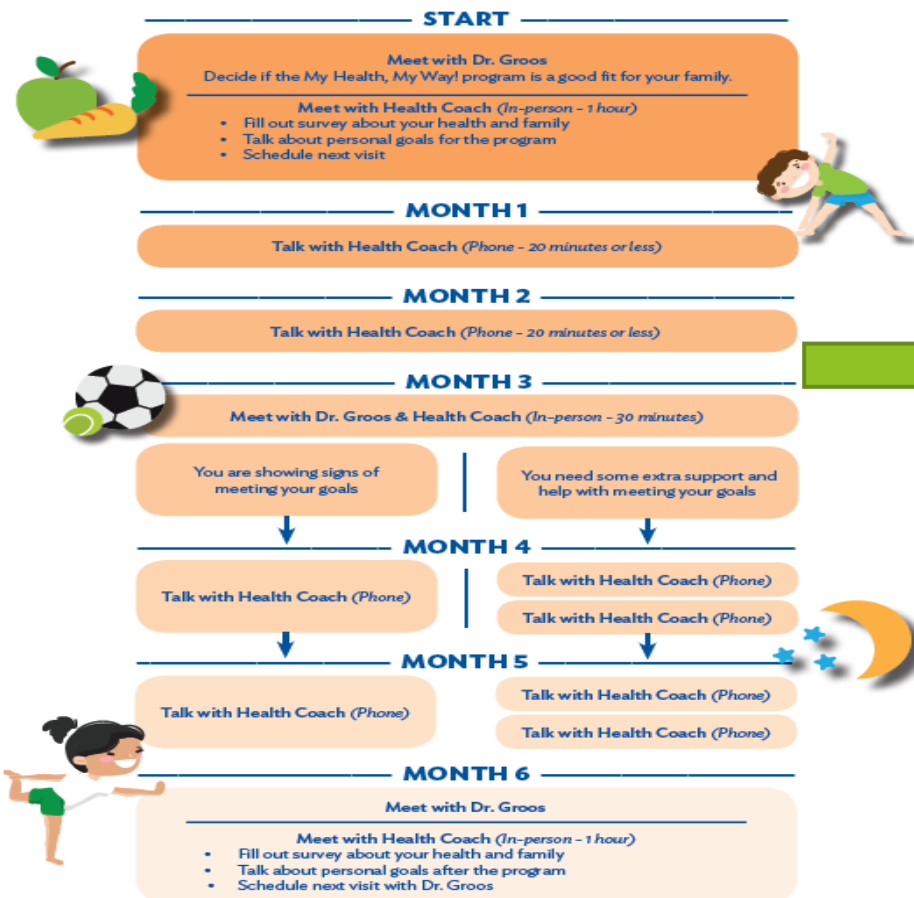
YES:
Which 3 topics?

Physician Clinical
Decision Support:
EHR alert, FNPA Risk
Assessment,
Parent attitude (topic
preference),
talking points

Parent educational materials

KIDS eat right.

Blank Healthy Kids: My Health, My Way! (BlankProject – Wolff/Lanningham-Foster)



My Health, My Way!

Goal #1:

The Blank Healthy Kids: My Health, My Way! program is a research study being conducted in the Blank Children's Health Clinic with patients ages 5-12 who see Dr. Jennifer Groos.

We are always looking for ways to improve children's health. One way we can do this is through wellness coaching. A wellness coach helps families identify what healthy habits they would like to improve and helps the family set goals to improve those habits.

Research has shown that some health indicators like Body Mass Index, are associated with increased health risks.

These risks can be lessened by improving health habits related to nutrition, physical activity, sleep, and screen time. We are piloting a program of wellness coaching in our clinic to see if it can be successfully implemented. We are also wanting to know if working with a wellness coach shows more improvement of health habits related to Body Mass Index than not working with a wellness coach.

Dr. Groos will visit with you more about this study during your visit today to tell you more about it and to see if you are interested in participating. You do not have to participate if you or your child do not want to.

5 Fruits and Veggies

2 Screen Time

1 Physical Activity

0 Sugary Drinks

My Health,

Sun	Mon	Tue

Next follow-up

Blank Children's Hospital
UnityPoint Health

This graphic is adopted from Let's Go! www.lets-go.org

Conclusions

- ▶ The FNPA has demonstrated utility for assessing home obesogenic environments and promoting parent awareness about weight issues
- ▶ Clinical studies demonstrate the feasibility and utility of the FNPA when integrated into standard pediatric well child visits

Thanks

Visit www.myfnpa for information or to join the FNPA User Group or contact Greg Welk (gwelk@iastate.edu)

Look for a future symposium on the FNPA at FNCE in the Fall (Karissa Peyer and Lisa Bailey Davis)



Closing

7 Potential uses

- ▶ Screening
- ▶ Obesity risk assessment / prediction
- ▶ Evaluation [pre post]
- ▶ Program needs assessment
- ▶ Intervention tailoring
- ▶ Designing personalized messages, clinical setting
- ▶ Goal generator for participants



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THE PPFA TOOLS DESIGNED TO ALLOW YOU TO EVALUATE YOUR HOME ENVIRONMENT AND PARENTING PRACTICES RELATED TO YOUR CHILD'S RISK FOR OVERWEIGHT AND OBESITY.

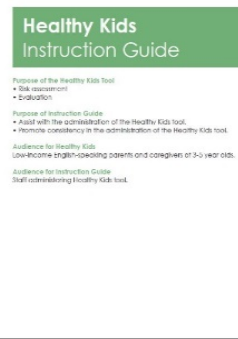
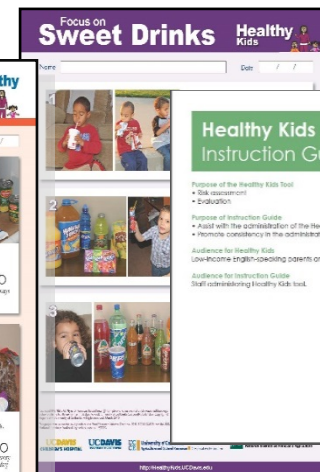
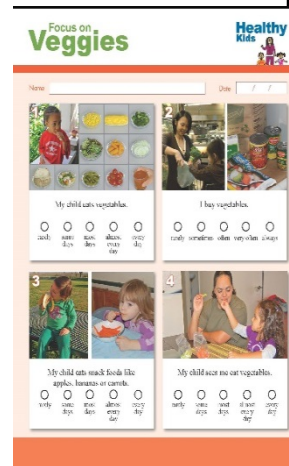
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Learning Objectives

- ▶ Participants will list 3 concepts to consider when developing obesity prevention tools.

Literacy level, cultural background, language preference, SES, age, setting

- ▶ Participants will understand different methods of validation appropriate for obesity prevention tools.

Content, face, concurrent, criterion, predictive validity

- ▶ Participants will view 5 examples of 'real world applications' of valid obesity prevention tools.

**Pediatric medical practice
Family medicine at university hospital
Community agency
Photographic tailoring on website
Goal setting on website**

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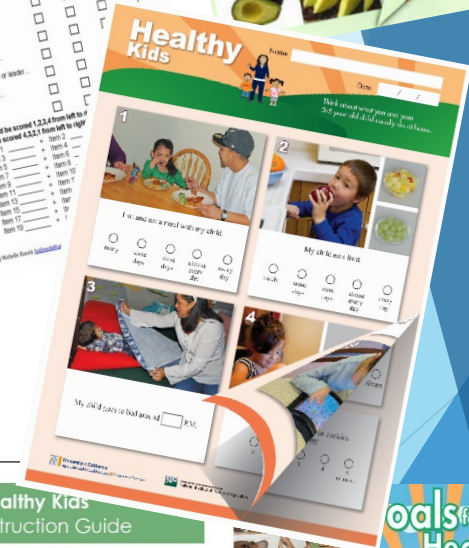
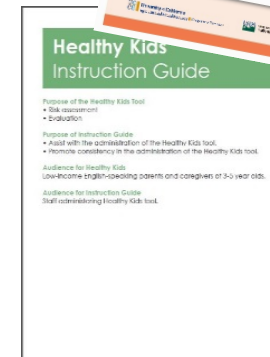
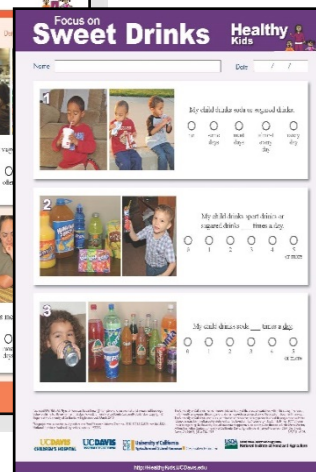
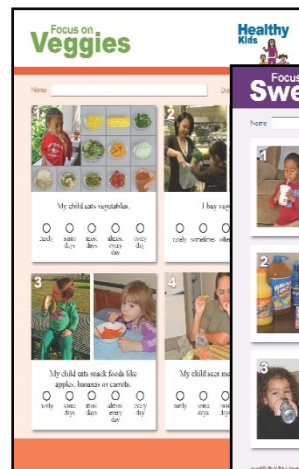
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Application & How to order?

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- ▶ <http://HealthyKids.UCDavis.edu>
- ▶ www.adaf.eatright-fnnpa.org

UC Davis Reprographics

- ▶ Reprographics Store-Coming Soon
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Tools for Assessing Home Obesogenic Environments: From Development to Real World Applications

Questions

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