Definitions for Child Outcomes Summary (COS) Ratings

Overall Age-Appropriate	**7**	• Child shows functioning expected for his or her age in all or almost all everyday situations that are part of the child's life. • No one on the team has concerns about the child's functioning in this outcome area.
	6	• Child's functioning generally is considered appropriate for his or her age, but there are some significant concerns about the child's functioning in this outcome area. • Although age-appropriate, the child's functioning may border on not keeping pace with age expectations.
Overall Not Age-Appropriate	**5**	• Child shows functioning expected for his or her age some of the time and/or in some settings and situations. • Child's functioning is a mix of age-expected and not age-expected behaviors and skills. • Child's functioning might be described as like that of a slightly younger child.
	4	• Child shows occasional age-appropriate functioning across settings and situations. • More functioning is not age-expected than age-expected.
	3	• Child does not yet show functioning expected of a child of his or her age in any situation. • Child uses immediate foundational skills most or all of the time across settings and situations. • Functioning might be described as like that of a younger child.
	2	• Child occasionally uses immediate foundational skills across settings and situations. • More functioning reflects skills that are not immediate foundational than are immediate foundational.
	1	• Child does not yet show functioning expected of a child his or her age in any situation. • Child's functioning does not yet include immediate foundational skills upon which to build age-appropriate functioning. • Child's functioning might be described as like that of a much younger child.

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