

# Teaching Pyramid Observation Tool/ Teaching Pyramid Infant-Toddler Observation Scale



## Data Considerations for All:

- ▶ Were data collected by trained observers?
- ▶ Were TPOT administration procedures, as outlined in the manual, followed?
- ▶ Has there been turnover in classroom staff that might affect program scores or scores within a classroom?
- ▶ Did class composition change between time 1 and time 2 data?

Look	Think	Act
<b>What do we see?</b>	<b>What are the data showing? What influences these data?</b>	<b>Consider these actions</b>
<p>Look at Red Flags across teachers on the program summary tab.</p>	<p>Are there common red flags?</p> <p>What might contribute to those red flags?</p> <p>Is additional training needed? Is there a procedural issue?</p> <p>Have red flags decreased across administrations?</p>	<p>Plan training to build capacity for desired practice.</p> <p>Identify needed changes, establish new policy, and/or share data with teachers including rationale for change.</p>
<p>On the program summary tab, look at average scores for Key Practice Items across teachers. Identify the areas that are the lowest in implementation.</p>	<p>What might contribute to common low scores?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Are action plans aligned to the practices that need improvement?</li> <li>▶ Has the program established the expectation that practices should be implemented?</li> <li>▶ Do teachers lack materials for implementation?</li> <li>▶ Do teachers lack training or coaching in the practice?</li> <li>▶ Does the curriculum support the practice?</li> <li>▶ Is the culture of the program to not implement the practice?</li> </ul>	<p>Initiate programmatic efforts to communicate importance and expectations that teachers will implement Pyramid practices.</p> <p>Provide materials for implementation.</p> <p>Establish targeted professional development activities to strengthen common areas of need.</p> <p>Curricular changes to align curriculum with Pyramid Model implementation.</p> <p>Provide teachers with a process for requesting and receiving classroom implementation ideas.</p>

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<p>Look at average scores for Key Practice Subscale over administrations.</p>	<p>Is there evidence of growth across all teachers in the implementation of Pyramid Model practices?</p> <p>Is the growth expected or in proportion to program efforts in providing teachers with professional development support (e.g., training and coaching)?</p> <p>Are action plans aligned to key practice areas that need improvement?</p>	<p>Provide higher quality training events on selected key practices (e.g., with implementation materials, using adult learning strategies).</p> <p>Increase access to professional development training (e.g., on-line, after hours, Saturdays).</p> <p>Provide more coaching cycles.</p> <p>Improve the delivery of complete coaching cycles.</p> <p>Improve the alignment of action plans to targeted key practice items.</p> <p>Identify any competing initiatives that might be affecting implementation and determine how to reduce the demands on teachers.</p>
<p>Look at item and indicator analysis across teachers.</p>	<p>What is the pattern across teachers?</p> <p>Are there common items or indicators that are not being observed?</p>	<p>Provide targeted professional development events.</p> <p>Set a program-wide goal for improvement in a key practice area.</p> <p>Provide coaching with a focus on the targeted key practice item(s).</p> <p>Provide materials to support implementation of targeted key practice items.</p>
<p>Using the individual summary tab, look at teacher individual scores for Key Practice Items. Identify the areas that are the lowest in implementation.</p>	<p>What might be factors related to a teacher's implementation scores?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Teacher training or background</li> <li>▶ Quality or intensity of coaching</li> <li>▶ Classroom composition</li> <li>▶ Teacher beliefs or biases</li> <li>▶ Alignment of action plans to key practice items that need strengthening</li> <li>▶ Delivery of complete coaching cycles</li> </ul>	<p>Provide professional development training opportunity that are focused on areas of need.</p> <p>Increase coaching with a focus on areas of need.</p> <p>Align action plans to key practice items in greatest need.</p> <p>Address teacher beliefs or biases using the Pyramid Model Equity Coaching Guide.</p>

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<p>Look at individual teacher Red Flags.</p>	<p>Could there be a supervision issue?</p> <p>Could the teacher need more intensive professional development?</p>	<p>Provide feedback on red flags and identify PD opportunity.</p> <p>Develop action plan and provide coaching support.</p>
<p>Look at fidelity scores of teachers on the fidelity tab.</p>	<p>Are teachers reaching fidelity on the TPOT?</p> <p>Are teachers showing growth towards fidelity across TPOT administrations?</p>	<p>Determine if teachers who are at fidelity should receive a lower frequency of coaching.</p> <p>Identify teachers at fidelity and consider if their practices might inform the work of colleagues by sharing through classroom observations, video clips, training to peers.</p> <p>Consider the use of peer coaching by teachers at fidelity.</p> <p>Intensify training and coaching for teachers who are not making progress towards fidelity.</p>