Appendix

Communication-Promoting Behaviors Checklist for Caregivers Name: Completed by: Date: Rating scale for communication-promoting behaviors Rarely observed Often observed 1------5-----6-----7 Behavior Rating Comments I. Sensitivity to child 1. Handles child in a positive manner Paces play and talk in accordance with child's tempo Follows child's interests much time 4. Provides appropriate stimulation, activities and play for the child's age and stage 5. Encourages and facilitates child's play with objects and materials II. Conversational behaviors A. In responding to the child Recognizes child's communicative attempts Responds to child's communicative attempts 8. Responds with a response which includes a question or comment requiring a further response from the child Imitates child's productions 10. Provides child with the words appropriate to what he/she apparently wants to express 11. Expands child's productions semantically and/or grammatically B. <u>In establishing shared attention</u> 12. Attempts to engage child 13. Talks about what the child is experiencing, looking at, 14. Uses voices (first) to attract child's attention to objects, events, self 15. Uses body movement, gestures, touch appropriately in attracting child's attention to objects, events, self III. In general 16. Uses phrases and sentences of appropriate length and complexity 17. Pauses expectantly after speaking to encourage child to respond 18. Speaks to child with appropriate rate, intensity and pitch 19. Uses interesting, animated voice 20. Uses normal, unexaggerated mouth movements

21. Uses audition-maximizing techniques

22. Uses appropriate gestures