

## FATHERHOOD RESEARCH AND PRACTICE NETWORK FATHER ENGAGEMENT SCALE SCORING GUIDE

### Instructions:

The Fatherhood Research and Practice Network Father Engagement Scale includes four separate versions for children at different ages. Fathers should complete the version which corresponds to their target child. Many programs select the youngest child as the target child, but your program can select a different child to ask fathers about (i.e. the father's second youngest child). You may also choose to administer this survey more than once (with respect to each of his children) with fathers who have multiple children. Consult with your researcher about this matter.

The first version is for children who are 1 month old - 1 year old.  
The second version is for children who are 1 year, 1 month - 6 years old.  
The third version is for children who are 6 years, 1 month - 12 years old.  
The fourth version is for children who are 12 years, 1 month - 19 years old.

### Scoring Guide:

Each version uses the same five point scale. Please assign the following values to each response:

- 0 = never
- 1 = 1 or 2 days per month
- 2 = 3 or 4 days per month
- 3 = 2 or 3 days per week
- 4 = every day or almost every day

### **Scoring for version 1 month – 1 year old**

Caregiving/play subscale (8 items): Add responses from items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8  
Range for caregiving/play subscale: 0-32

Cognitive stimulation subscale (3 items): Add responses from items 9, 10, 11  
Range for cognitive stimulation subscale: 0-12

### **Scoring for version 1 year, 1 month – 6 years old**

Caregiving/play subscale (7 items): Add responses from items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7,  
Range for caregiving/play subscale: 0-28

Support subscale (3 items): Add responses from items 8, 9, 10  
Range for support subscale: 0-12

### **Scoring for version 6 years, 1 month – 12 years**

Caregiving/play subscale (6 items): Add responses from items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6  
Range for caregiving/play subscale: 0-24

Support subscale (3 items): Add responses from items 7, 8, 9  
Range for support subscale: 0-12

### **Scoring for version 12 years, 1 month – 19 years**

Caregiving/play subscale (8 items): Add responses from items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8  
Range for caregiving/play subscale: 0-32

Support subscale (3 items): Add responses from items 9, 10, 11  
Range for support subscale: 0-12