ASKING GOOD QUESTIONS

Quick Reference Guide

When you ask good questions, you get better information!

Below are some good comments & questions to use with families when gathering information for IFSP outcome development:

- □ Tell me about your child...and your family.
- U What is a typical day like for your child, your family and you as a parent?
- U What activities really interest your child, and which ones interest you to do with your child?
- U What makes your child laugh/smile?
- U What parts of the day go really well for you and your child?
- U What parts of the day are a struggle for you and your child? Why?
- U What frustrates you or your child during the day?
- U What would you like for your child to be able to do?
- Who are other caregivers for your child?
- □ Who are the most important people in your child's life?
- U What activities would you like your child and family to participate in?
- U What would make your life with your child easier?

Information gathered by asking good questions can be used during IFSP development and implementation to support individualized outcomes and routines-based intervention. Here's how:

