

Bureau of Postsecondary and Adult Education Division of Adult Education Policy

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## **POLICY STATEMENT**

All family literacy programs must administer the Adult-Child Interactive Reading Inventory (ACIRI) to enrolled families with children between the ages of three and five.

## PURPOSE

ACIRI data measures changes in parent/caregiver and child literacy-related interactions during shared reading and should be used to inform instruction so future parenting education and ILA can be effective for both parent/caregiver and child.

## **GUIDANCE**

To ensure sound assessment practices and to obtain accurate data, all family literacy programs must have at least two individuals who have completed the appropriate training. All ACIRI-trained staff must complete the ACIRI course every two years.

- The parent and child must be matched (same parent and child) for both the Time 1 and Time 2 assessments.
- All behaviors on the ACIRI must be assessed during the same administration.
- Time 1 and Time 2 assessments should be separated by no fewer than 90 days.
- Ideally, the parent/caregiver and child should participate in the lessons outlined in the ACIRI book or in similar lessons that focus on the behaviors to be developed.
- Time 1 assessments may be dated prior to the start of the current program year but no earlier than May 1 of the previous program year. Time 2 assessments must be dated during the current program year.
- A hard copy of the ACIRI tool and the Scoring Sheet can be printed from the CD-ROM included with the book, *Let's Read Together.*
- ACIRI data must be entered into eData.