### It's never too early to give a child a healthy start in life!

The opportunity to screen and assess a young child's social and emotional health begins as early as birth. By evaluating all of the children in a program, caregivers can determine which children need help to develop the crucial social and emotional skills they need

> to overcome challenges and manage the daily stresses of life. Social and emotional health is essential to school and life success!

> > How does the **DECA-I/T Program** help infants and toddlers develop social and emotional skills?

The DECA-I/T Program provides a framework for caregivers to focus on healthy social and emotional

development, which is critical for the development of infants and toddlers. This easy-touse program provides the data and strategies that help caregivers build children's skills and track their progress to ensure that children achieve positive outcomes. The DECA-I/T Program also focuses on the quality of the care setting and the well-being of the adults caring for children-all of which have an impact on children's growth and development.

### Why is the DECA-I/T Program the best choice?

- 1. It's easy to use. Fill out the record forms, assess the children, and use the provided strategies to build the critical skills children need.
- 2. It's comprehensive. The DECA-I/T Program uses a three-pronged approach that focuses on the child, the caregivers, and the environment.
- 3. It's research-based. Nationally standardized, reliable and valid, the DECA-I/T meets or exceeds standards for high quality.
- 4. It's cohesive. This program involves families, caregivers, and other professionals, ensuring a team approach in building social and emotional skills with infants and toddlers.
- 5. It's strength-based. The DECA-I/T Program builds the skills that are critical to a child's healthy growth and development.
  - 6. It works. The DECA-I/T Program offers solutions that lead to significant, positive change.



The Devereux Early Childhood Assessment for Infants and Toddlers (DECA-I/T) Program

This innovative program allows caregivers and families to screen, assess, support, and evaluate outcomes in order to promote the



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# About the DECA-I/T Program

The Devereux Early Childhood Assessment for Infants and Toddlers (DECA-I/T) Program offers premier tools to ensure that children have the strengths and skills they need to reach their highest potential.

To fully support infant and toddler social and emotional health and resilience, the DECA-I/T Program uses a comprehensive approach that focuses on the child, the caregivers, and the environment.

**The Child.** The DECA-I/T is completed by both caregivers and families, and provides them with the information they need to make informed decisions about the social and emotional health of infants and toddlers.

**The Caregivers.** Simple strategies are included for both caregivers and families to promote the social and emotional well-being of the adults that care for young children.

**The Environment.** A research-based checklist allows caregivers to assess the social-emotional quality of the care setting in four areas and provides strategies to support changes. These areas include:

- Connecting with Families
- Responsive Caregiving
- Activities and Routines
- Physical Environment



This comprehensive kit contains the following resources to support the development of infants' and toddlers' social and emotional health:

- Infant and Toddler Record Forms. The DECA-I/T Record Forms are strength-based, nationally standardized, reliable, valid, and easy to use! Available in English and Spanish and in a web-based format.
  - User's Guide. This guide provides caregivers with the directions they need to use and interpret results of the DECA-I/T.
  - Strategies Guide. This resource offers caregivers research-based strategies to enhance children's social and emotional health, as well as checklists and tips for improving the overall quality of programs.
- For Now and Forever Parent's Guide. This helpful pamphlet gives family-friendly information on social and emotional health and simple tips for improving the home environment.
- \* Building Your Bounce. This collection of simple strategies helps caregivers build their own resilience. It includes a survey that offers caregivers and parents a tool to monitor their personal social and emotional health.

DECA-I/T Kit ITEM # 16139 / \$199.95 Complete Kit

The above assessments and resources are packaged together in the DECA-I/T Kit. Individual replacement materials are also available.

Visit kaplanco.com for pricing and availability.

The DECA-I/T now has assessment tools online! To watch a demonstration visit www.kaplanco.com\edecademonstration.

#### ORDERING E-DECA2.0 IS A TWO-PART ANNUAL PURCHASE:

- 1. Purchase the e-DECA2.0 Annual License. #16701 \$249.95
- 2. Select the rating option that is the most cost-effective for your program:

#### **By Child Option:**

This option provides unlimited ratings for 12 months for an individual child.

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#### **By Administration Option:**

This option provides ratings for 40 children, or \$1 per child. #16703 / \$39.95

## The Devereux Early Childhood Initiative



The mission of the Devereux Early Childhood Initiative (DECI) is to promote young children's social and emotional development, foster resilience, and build the skills necessary for young children to be successful in school and life.

Comprised of both early childhood and mental health professionals, the DECI team develops research and strength-based assessment and strategy resources to support early childhood educators, mental health professionals, and parents in their efforts to enhance young children's social and emotional well-being and promote resilience.

The DECI team strives to change the way this nation prioritizes early childhood social and emotional health.



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