

Facilitated Program Observation Instrument Orientation Request

The Program Quality Assessment (PQA) Team is pleased to support you in planning for growth. The Facilitated Program Observation Instrument (POI) Orientation provides an opportunity to learn about POI choices when no virtual or online Pennsylvania Key sponsored professional development (PD) is offered through the PD Registry; Facilitated POI Orientation is not offered for ERS, CLASS, PAS, or BAS.

What is Facilitated POI Orientation?

Each one-hour Facilitated POI Orientation session will allow you to talk with an assessor who is reliable on the selected POI about the focus of the instrument, available supportive resources, and how to use the POI for internal assessment. You are also invited to talk with the assessor about connecting the assessment feedback with your goals for growth.

What it will include:

- The lens or focus of the POI being discussed – What does the instrument measure and what information is collected?
- Scoring rubric/guidance for the POI – Calculating a score is not the goal of internal assessment but understanding the measurement system being used is an important element of effective observation.
- A sample item or example from the POI being discussed
- Guiding questions on POI selection for internal assessment

Why is professional development credit given for Facilitated POI Orientation?

Professional development and learning can happen in many settings and formats. When a standardized professional development event is not available through the Pennsylvania Key or the PQA team, an assessor reliable on a specific POI can complete individualized professional development through coaching. The interactive conversation that happens during a Facilitated POI Orientation covers all the key features of a POI and allows you to reflect on how a POI will connect to your program's continuous quality improvement (CQI) goals. The professional learning that happens through information sharing, discussion, and reflection is eligible for PD credit in the Pennsylvania Key PD Registry.

Expectations for participating in Facilitated POI Orientation:

The Facilitated POI Orientation is not a formal presentation delivered to an audience of participants. It is designed to be responsive to the individual interests and culture of a program and happens within the context of interactive discussion. It is also a professional learning opportunity and requires all participants to be attentive and engaged for the full hour. Facilitated POI Orientation sessions will use the Zoom online meeting platform.

When multiple staff members participate, be sure everyone has access to a microphone and can hear clearly and see the screen. Programs are welcome, but not expected, to invite their Quality Coach.

Although a prepared presentation will not be used, the assessor may share a screenshot or page from the POI being discussed. To support interaction throughout the conversation, you are encouraged to turn on your web camera.

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Date:

Program Name:

MPI:

ELRC:

Program Address:

City:

Zip Code:

Contact Name:

Email:

Phone:

I am interested in Facilitated POI Orientation for:

Climate of Health Interactions for Learning and Development (CHILD)	Developmental Environment Rating Scale (DERS) <i>This scale is not part of the Environment Rating Scale (ERS) suite of instruments.</i>	Inclusive Classroom Profile (ICP)
Parenting Interactions with Children: Checklist of Observations Linked to Outcomes (PICCOLO)	Teaching Pyramid Observation Tool (TPOT)	School-Age Program Quality Assessment (SPQA)
Teaching Pyramid Infant Toddler Observation Scale (TPITOS)	Rating Observation Scale for Inspiring Environments (ROSIE)	Social Emotional Program Quality Assessment (SELPQA)
Following a Facilitated POI Orientation session, your partnering assessor will award one (1) hour of professional development in the Pennsylvania Key PD Registry for all participants. When available, support materials for a POI might be provided.		
Anticipated number of participants:		

Please note that requesting Facilitated POI Orientation for multiple POIs may lead to scheduling consultation with multiple assessors and could extend your internal assessment timeline. Scheduling priority for Facilitated POI Orientation will be given to programs actively working on STARS Movement and programs due for STARS Monitoring.

Please email your completed request to the appropriate PQA Supervisor:

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