**24:14:07:04.  Eligibility verification.** The verification of eligibility for early intervention services is obtained through a multidisciplinary evaluation pursuant to chapter 24:14:12 that uses the infant's or toddler's history obtained from parental input, pertinent records related to the child's educational background, current health status, and medical history, and a standardized infant development process in conjunction with at least two of the following:

 (1)  Observations;

 (2)  A developmental inventory;

 (3)  A behavioral checklist; or

 (4)  An adaptive behavior measure.

 This information must be documented by qualified personnel.

 Informed clinical opinion shall be determined by qualified personnel and shall also be used in determining a child's eligibility under this section, especially if there are no standardized measures or the standardized procedures are not appropriate for a given age or developmental area. The informed clinical opinion must be documented by the source providing the information and shall be used, pursuant to chapter 24:14:12, as one factor in determining eligibility.

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