## EARLY INTERVENTION CHECKLIST

- What are the medical needs of this child?
- · What are the developmental needs of this child?
- What are the attachment and emotional health needs of this child?
- What challenges does the caregiver face that may impact his or her capacity to parent this child?
- What resources are available to enhance this child's healthy development [and education] and prospects for permanency?<sup>1</sup>
- Must this child be referred for EI due to:
  - substantiated case of abuse or neglect OR
  - affected by illegal substance abuse or withdrawal symptoms (prenatal drug exp.)
- If referral not mandated, should the child be referred to EI due to suspected disability or delay?
- Has the child ever been referred to EI?
- Has the child ever been evaluated for EI?
- Has the child ever been enrolled in an EIP?
- Does the child have an IFSP? Is it appropriate? Is it being implemented?

<sup>1</sup> Question #s 1-5 have been reprinted with permission from: Dicker, Sheryl and Gordon, Elysa, "Ensuring the Healthy Development of Infants in Foster Care: A Guide for Judges Advocates and Child Welfare Professionals," January 2004, Courtesy of the Zero to Three Policy Center and the NY State Permanent Judicial Commission on Justice for Children.

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