FAMILY-PROFESSIONAL

PARTNERSHIP SCALE

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SURVEY INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

All the information you give us is confidential. Your name will not be attached to any of the information you give us. It is important that you answer as many questions as you can, but please feel free to skip those questions that make you feel uncomfortable.

Please use a pencil to mark your answers. Use a check mark \square or "X" – please do NOT shade in the whole box. If you change any answers, please completely erase any previous answers or any extra pencil marks on the page. Please do not make any stray marks, <u>including comments</u>, on the form. If you have comments to share, you may e-mail them to Jean Ann Summers (jsummers@ku.edu).

Partnership

This survey is about how you feel about the main person who works with you and your child. We will use what we learn from families to inform policy makers and service providers for children and families.

There may be many different service providers who work with your child with special needs, such as teachers, social workers, or speech, occupational, physical, or behavior therapists. Think about the service provider who has worked THE MOST with your child over the **last six months.** Please tell us what type of service provider you are thinking about.

(Check only one)

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How <u>satisfied</u> are you that your child's service provider	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neither	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
1. Helps you gain skills or information to get what your child needs.					
2. Has the skills to help your child succeed.					
3. Provides services that meet the individual needs of your child.					
 Speaks up for your child's best interests when working with other service providers. 					
5. Lets you know about the good things your child does.					
6. Is available when you need them.					
7. Treats your child with dignity.					
8. Builds on your child's strengths.					
9. Values your opinion about your child's needs.					
10. Is honest, even when there is bad news to give.					
11. Keeps your child safe when your child is in his/her care.					
12. Uses words that you understand.					

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How <u>satisfied</u> are you that your child's service provider	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neither	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
13. Protects your family's privacy.					
14. Shows respect for your family's values and beliefs.					
15. Listens without judging your child or family.					
16. Is a person you can depend on and trust					
17. Pays attention to what you have to say.					
18. Is friendly.					

Thank you! You have finished completing this survey. Please make sure you erase any extra marks and have answered all the questions.

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