FUNCTIONAL BEHAVIORAL ASSESSMENT INTERVIEW – TEACHER / STAFF / PARENT

Student Name:	Age:	Grade:	Date:
Person(s) interviewed:			
Interviewer:			

Student Profile: What is the student good at or what are some strengths that the student brings to school?

Step 1A: Interview Teacher / Staff / Parent

Description of the Behavior

What does the problem behavior(s) look like?

How often does the problem behavior(s) occur?

How long does the problem behavior(s) last when it does occur?

How disruptive or dangerous is the problem behavior(s)?

Description of the Antecedent

Identifying Routines: When, where, and with whom are problem behaviors most likely?

Schedule (Times)	Activity	Specific Problem Behavior	Likelihood of Problem Behavior	With Whom Does Problem Occur?
			Low High 1 2 3 4 5 6	
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Summarize Antecedent (and Setting Events)

What situations seem to set off the problem behavior? (difficult tasks, transitions, structured activities, small-group settings, teacher's request, particular individuals, etc.)

When is the problem behavior most likely to occur? (times of day and days of the week)

When is the problem behavior least likely to occur? (times of day and days of the week)

Setting Events: Are there specific conditions, events, or activities that make the problem behavior worse? (missed medication, history of academic failure, conflict at home, missed meals, lack of sleep, history of problems with peers, etc.)

Description of the Consequence

What usually happens after the behavior occurs? (what is the teacher's reaction, how do other students react, is the student sent to the office, does the student get out of doing work, does the student get in a power struggle, etc.)

----- End of Interview ------

Step 2A: Propose a Testable Explanation

Setting Event	Antecedent	Behavior	Consequence
		1.	
		2.	
		3.	

Function of the Behavior

For each ABC sequence listed above, why do you think the behavior is occurring? (to get teacher attention, to get peer attention, gets desired object/activity, escapes undesirable activity, escapes demand, escapes particular people, etc.)

1. _____

2. _____

How confident are you that your testable explanation is accurate?

Very Sure		So-So			Not at all Sure
6	5	4	3	2	1

FUNCTIONAL BEHAVIORAL ASSESSMENT INTERVIEW - STUDENT

Student Name:		Age:	_ Grade:	_ Date:
Interviewer:				
Student Profile: What are the helping others, etc.)	things you like to c	lo, or do we	II, while at sch	ool? (activities, classes,
Step 1B: Interview Student Description of the Behavior				
What are some things you d out, not getting work done, fight		ouble or th	at are a proble	em at school? (talking
How often do you	? (Insert the be	havior listed	by the student)	
How long does	usually last each	time it happ	ens?	
How serious is	_? (Do you or anot	her student e	end up getting h	urt? Are other students

Description of the Antecedent

Identifying Routines: When, where, and with whom are problem behaviors most likely?

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Summarize Antecedent (and Setting Events)

What kinds of things make it more likely that you will have this problem? (difficult tasks, transitions, structured activities, small-group settings, teacher's request, particular individuals, etc.)

When and where is the problem most likely to happen? (days of week, specific classes, hallways, bathrooms)

When is the problem behavior least likely to occur? (days of week, specific classes, hallways, bathrooms)

Setting Events: Is there anything that happens before or after school or in between classes that makes it more likely that you'll have a problem? (missed medication, history of academic failure, conflict at home, missed meals, lack of sleep, history of problems with peers, etc.)

Description of the Consequence

What usually happens after the behavior occurs? (what is the teacher's reaction, how do other students react, is the student sent to the office, does the student get out of doing work, does the student get in a power struggle, etc.)

----- End of Interview ------

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Step 3: Rate Your Confidence in the Testable Explanation

If you completed both interviews, was there agreement on these parts? (Y / N)					
(a) Setting Events (e) Function				(d) Conse	equences
How confident are yo	How confident are you that your testable explanation is accurate?				
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Step 4: Conduct Observations (If Necessary)

- If student has an identified disability and is at risk of suspension, expulsion, or change in placement, you must conduct an observation of student.
- If student does not meet above criteria, but confidence rating is 1, 2, 3, or 4, you should conduct observations to better understand when, where, and why the problem behavior is occurring.
- If student does not meet above criteria and confidence rating is 5 or 6, you may go directly to Step 6.

Add Observation Tools

Qualitative Notes	ABC
FACTS	Problem Behavior Questionnaire
FAST	FBA - M
	Scatter Plot

Summarize Observation Data

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		2.	
		3.	

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Step 5: Confirm/Modify Testable Explanation

Step 6: Complete Competing Pathway Summary

