C-H-E-E-E-R-S

**C-ues**
What kind of cues does baby give?
Does Dad recognize and respond quickly and sensitively to them?

**Holding**
Quality and frequency, including any touching.

**E-xpression**
How much does Dad talk to baby?
Does Dad speak respectfully about the child? To the Child?
How frequently does Dad vocalize in ways that support language development?
What is the frequency and quality of non-verbal expression by Dad?
Between father and child? (e.g., eye contact, touch, goos, etc.)

**E-mpathy**
Is Dad sensitive to baby’s feelings and needs?
Does Dad care about how baby feels?
Does Dad recognize the child’s feelings and experiences?
Does Dad respond sensitively to the child? How often?

**E-nvironment**
As it relates to child development, does environment support growth and development?
Is Dad interested in and supportive of baby’s development?
Does Dad speculate about upcoming development?
Does Dad notice and attend to child’s development?

**R-hymicity/reciprocity**
Are they dancing?
Is there mutual initiation of interaction and activities?
Is there a smooth back-and-forth, give-and-take quality in the interaction between Dad and child?

**S-miles**
Are there smiles?
Is there joy and love in interactions?