



An Introduction to the Child Observation Record Advantage Tool (From birth to six)

What is HighScope?

HighScope is a well-established approach to early childhood education and care which is underpinned by development and learning theory and by long term research. It is an approach that identifies and builds on children's interests and abilities and is used internationally in variety of settings.

What is COR Advantage

COR Advantage 1.5 is High Scope's most comprehensive research validated child assessment tool. COR Advantage 1.5 assesses children's development in eight content areas: Approaches to Learning; Social and Emotional Development; Physical development and Health; Language, Literacy and Communication; Mathematics; Creative Arts; Science and Technology and Social Studies. There is also a category for English Language Learning. The tool assists practitioners in supporting children in all developmental stages from birth to 6 years including those who have Additional needs and also children whose primary language is other than English. It is appropriate for use with any developmentally appropriate curriculum as well as the HighScope Curriculum.

What does the course cover?

The COR Advantage course introduces participants to all aspects of the tool. The course discusses how to measure children's progress by using objective anecdotal notes to record the child's developmental level in the tool's nine content areas, and share these with parents. The course provides participants with active learning experiences and a mixture of individual, small group, large group activities and discussions. The course consists of one initial days training and 2 follow up 3-hour training/support sessions to support the implementation of the tool in settings.

The second and third sessions of the course enable participants to reflect on how the initial training is being implemented in the setting and further support the implementation of the tool with the course participants.

Who is the course for?

The course is designed for those working with young children from birth to 6 years in a range of settings; Day-care Nurseries, playgroups, crèches and Sure Start settings.

Publications relating to the course will be included as part of the course.