

FATHER INVOLVEMENT TOOLKIT

Getting to Know Him

Below are questions that may be asked in order to better understand the father of the child. Some of these questions are sensitive and should only be asked once rapport has been built with the family. The questions may also need to be modified to fit the context of the family situation.

- Who raised you and what do you remember most about them?
- What do you remember most about your mom? What was most important to her?
- What do you remember most about your dad? What was most important to him?
- If your parents had a message to you and their grandchild(ren), what do you think it is?
- What comes to mind when you think about growing up in [hometown]?
- What did you love to do as a kid?
- What do you remember most about your teenage years?
- What do you believe about yourself that has helped you deal with hard times?
- What three events most shaped your life?
- What do you remember about when your baby was born?
- Were you ever scared to be a father?
- What three words would you say represent your approach to fathering?
- What message do you have for your child that you want them to always keep in mind?
- What three words would you say best describe how you want to be remembered?
- What do you think the world needs more of right now?
- What were the three best decisions you've ever made?
- What are you most proud of in life?
- What message would you like to share with your family?

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