Algorithm A: Promoting Social-Emotional Health, Identifying Mental Health and Substance Use Concerns, Engaging the Family, and Providing Early Intervention in Primary Care

Visit (prenatal, nursery, or primary care) scheduled

- Acute care visit
- Incorporate brief mental health update

Concerns (symptoms, functional impairment, risk behaviors, perceived problems)?

- No
- Yes

Concerns?

- No
- Yes

Emergency?

- No
- Yes

- Emergency?

- Return to acute care visit
- Facilitate referral for specialty services or emergency facility; re-enter algorithm at appropriate point (or A1a).

- Emergency?

- Return to acute care visit
- Plan to enter algorithm at step A1a.

- Emergency?

- Proceed to Algorithm B

Legend

- = Start
- = Action / Process
- = Decision
- = Stop

A1a

- Collect and review pre-visit data
- Provide initial clinical assessment; observe child-parent interactions.
- Acknowledge and reinforce strengths

A1b

- Emergency?

A2a

- Provide anticipatory guidance for age per Bright Futures, Connected Kids, or KySS

A2b

- Emergency?

A3a

- Concerns?

A3b

- Emergency?

A4a

- Emergency?

A4b

- Emergency?

A5a

- Emergency?

A5b

- Emergency?

A6a

- Emergency?

A6b

- Emergency?

A7a

- Emergency?

A7b

- Emergency?