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Comparing PEDS and PEDS:DM with Bayley-III in an multi-ethnic Asian birth cohort at 18 and 24 months

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Abstract

Purpose: To evaluate how screening tools Parents' Evaluation of Developmental Status (PEDS) and Parents' Evaluation of Developmental Status: Developmental Milestone (PEDS:DM) compare with diagnostic tool Bayley Scales of Infant and Toddler Development, 3rd Edition (BSID).

Method: Children from the Growing Up In Singapore Towards Health Outcomes cohort who completed 18 and 24 month(m) PEDS, PEDS:DM and 24m BSID in English were included. Preterm births were excluded. Delay in developmental domain is defined as parental concern for PEDS; failing domain-specific question for PEDS:DM; domain score of ≤1 standard deviation (SD) for BSID. Predictive validity of 18m PEDS and PEDS:DM with 24m BSID and concurrent validity and accuracy of 24m PEDS and PEDS:DM with 24m BSID were compared using Cohen's Kappa (κ) and κ p-value.

Result: 276 children were included. 18m PEDS receptive language (RL) had fair agreement with 24m BSID receptive communication (RC) (κ=0.27 p<0.001). 18m PED:DM RL had moderate agreement with 24m BSID RC (κ =0.41 p<0.001). 18m PEDS:DM social emotional had fair agreement with 24m BSID social composite (κ =0.21 p<0.001). 24m PEDS expressive language (EL) had fair agreement with 24m BSID expressive communication (EC) $[\kappa=0.27 \text{ p} < 0.001 \text{ positive}]$ predictive value (PPV) 41% negative predictive value (NPV) 83% sensitivity (SN) 49% specificity (SP) 77%]. 24m PEDS:DM EL had fair agreement with 24m BSID EC [κ =0.36 p<0.001 PPV 42% NPV 93% SN 84% SP 64%]. 24m PEDS:DM RL had moderate agreement with 24m BSID RC [κ=0.44 p<0.001 PPV 73% NPV 84% SN 42% SP 95%]. Direct comparison of other domains had low predictive and concurrent validity.

Conclusion: PEDS and PEDS:DM have fair to moderate predictive validity, concurrent validity and high NPV in language domain. Alternative screening tools should be considered for non-language domains in our population.

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