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Early Education Division

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# **Early Childhood Environment Rating Scale - Revised**

## Frequently Asked Questions

**Q.** We have already completed the Environment Rating Scale (ERS) on our classrooms, but we used the Early Childhood Environment Rating Scale-3 (ECERS-3) instead of the ECERS-Revised (ECERS-R). Can we use these findings for completing our Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 California State Preschool Program (CSPP) Program Self-Evaluation (PSE)?

**A.** CSPP center-based contractors are required to use the ECERS-R, as defined in the California Code of Regulation (5 *CCR)* Section 17000 when completing their annual PSE. CSPP contractors who have used the ECERS-3 for the FY 2022-23 PSE have two options:

1. Reconduct the observations for each classroom using the ECERS-R instrument, and use the results to complete the FY 2022-23 PSE, ***or***
2. For Item EED 11 on the PSE survey, select “needs improvement to meet requirements”, and provide a written narrative that describes modifications that will be made to address the item.