

Swedish adaptations of the CDI instruments

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The Swedish CDI-MB comes in four versions. The Words and Gestures form (Eriksson & Berglund, 1999) is based on the American counterpart and is suited for children with typical development aged 8-16 months. The Words and Sentences form (Berglund & Eriksson, 2000a) is also based on to the American counterpart and is suited for children with typical development aged 16-30 months. Scoring procedures and norms are described in Eriksson & Berglund (2002). Validity and reliability of these instruments are reported in Berglund & Eriksson (2000b) and in Eriksson (2001). The influence of demographic characteristics on communicative skills assessed with these instruments is reported in Berglund, Eriksson and Westerlund (2005).

We have tried to develop a screening form (Eriksson, Westerlund & Berglund, 2002) which unfortunately did not prove quite adequate for this purpose (Westerlund, Berglund & Eriksson, 2006). However, it works satisfactory as a short form for children 18-24 months old. Finally, there is also a Swedish CDI-III designed for typical developed children aged 30-48 months (Eriksson, 2016) which is inspired by the American counterpart but involves specific strategies to diminish ceiling effects. This instrument, including norms, are presented in Eriksson, 2016 (see, <http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/0165025416644078>).

All instruments are available from Mårten Eriksson (marten.eriksson@hig.se).

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