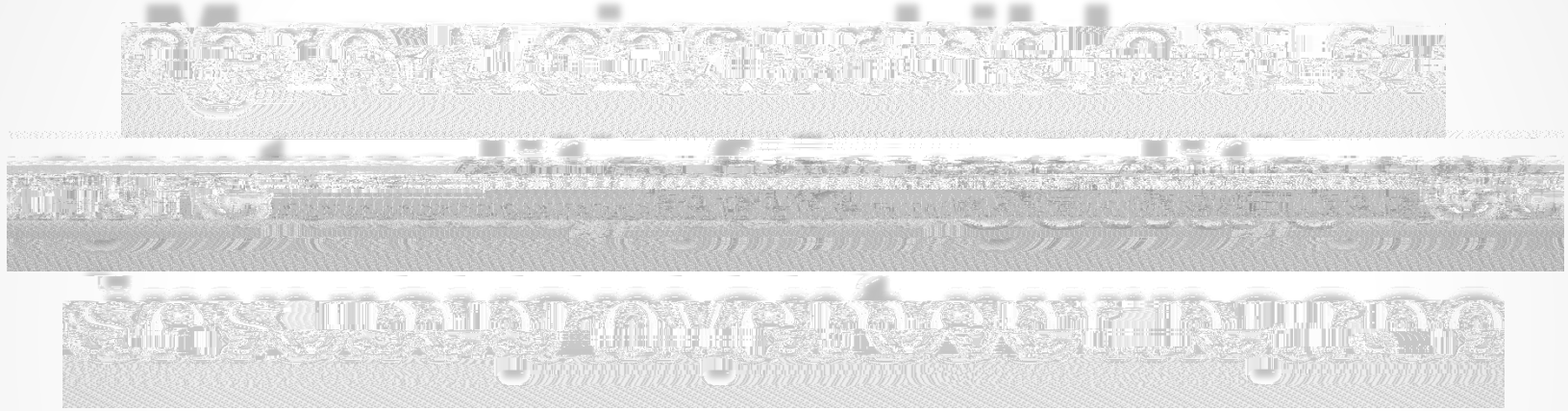

Talk Outline

1. Context
   - What is quality?
   - Quality matters
   - What do we know about quality in Canada?
2. What is a QRIS?
3. TorontoÕs QRIS
   - What measures are used?
   - Describe some of the research on the CityÕs QRIS
4. Challenges to using measures as part of QRISs

Context: What is Quality g!

- Key Structural Indicators
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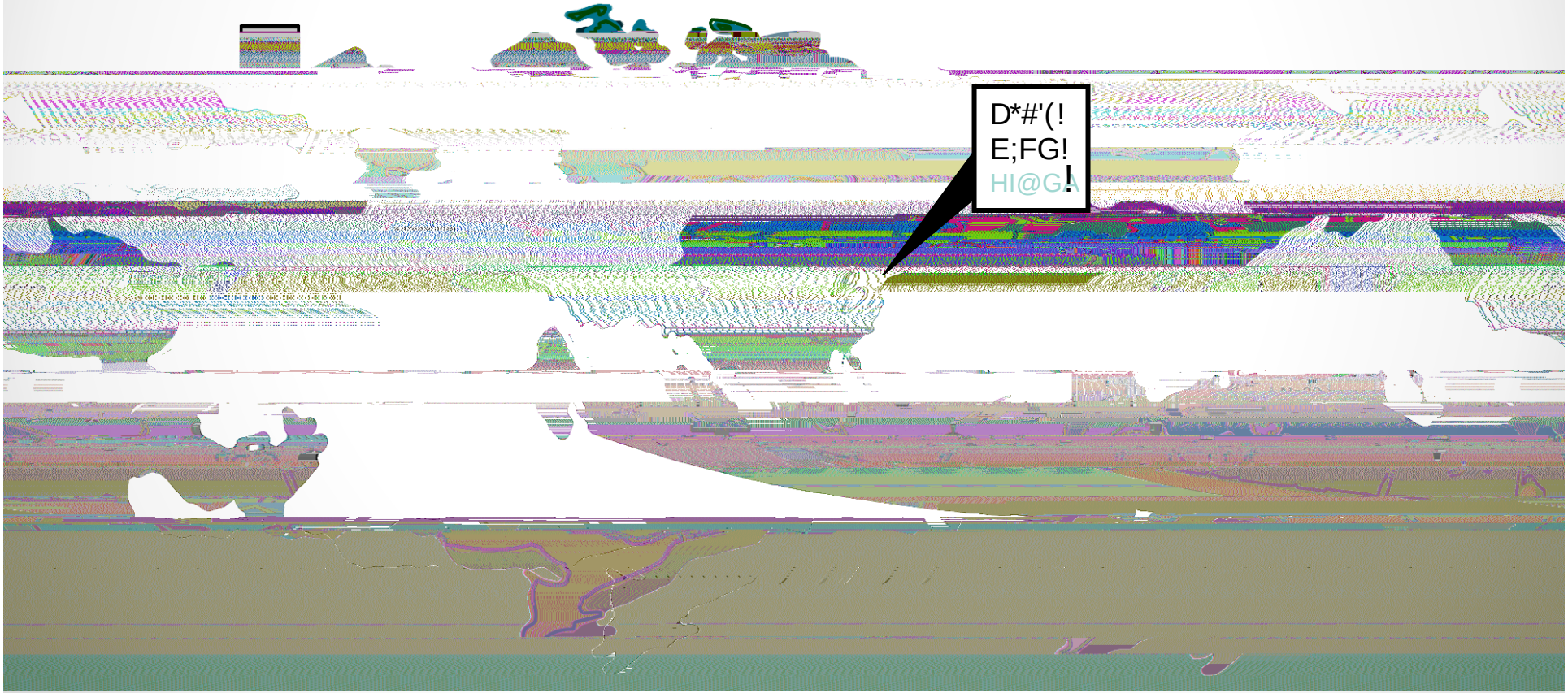
Context: What do we know about child care quality in Canada?!



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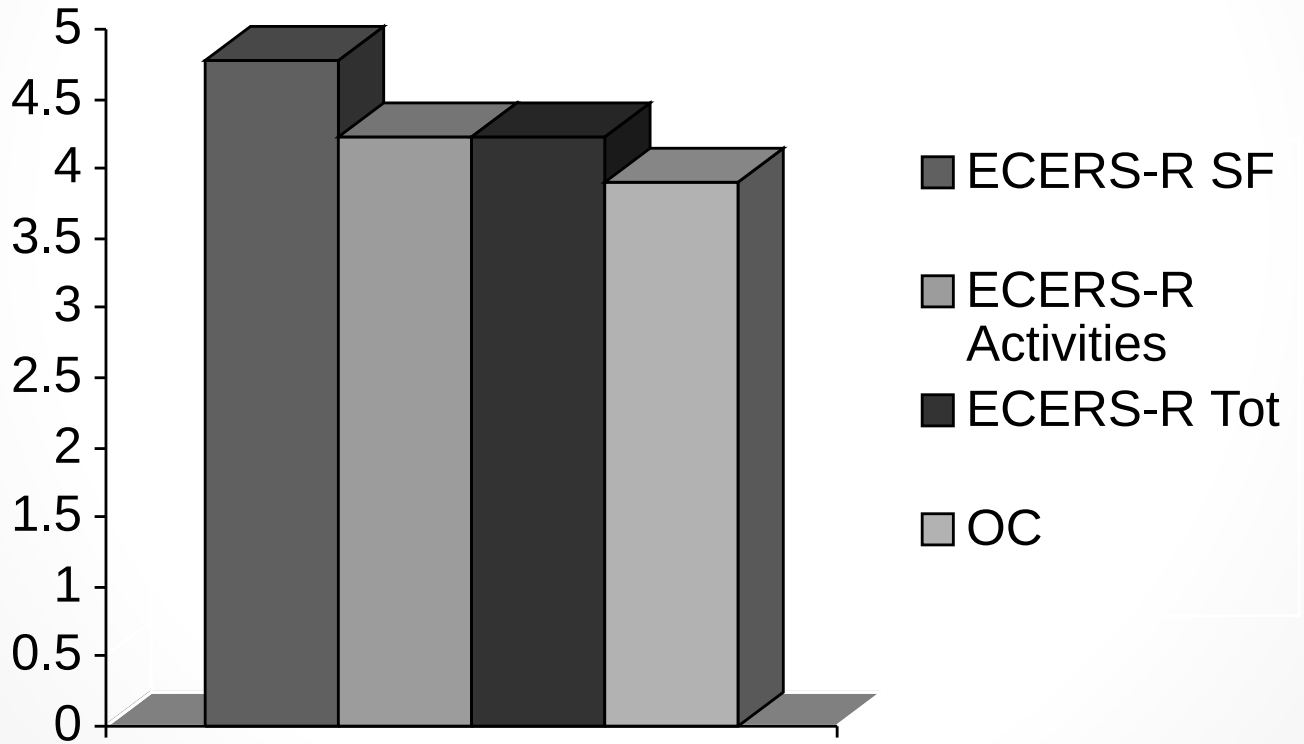
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Context: What do we know about child care quality in Canada?

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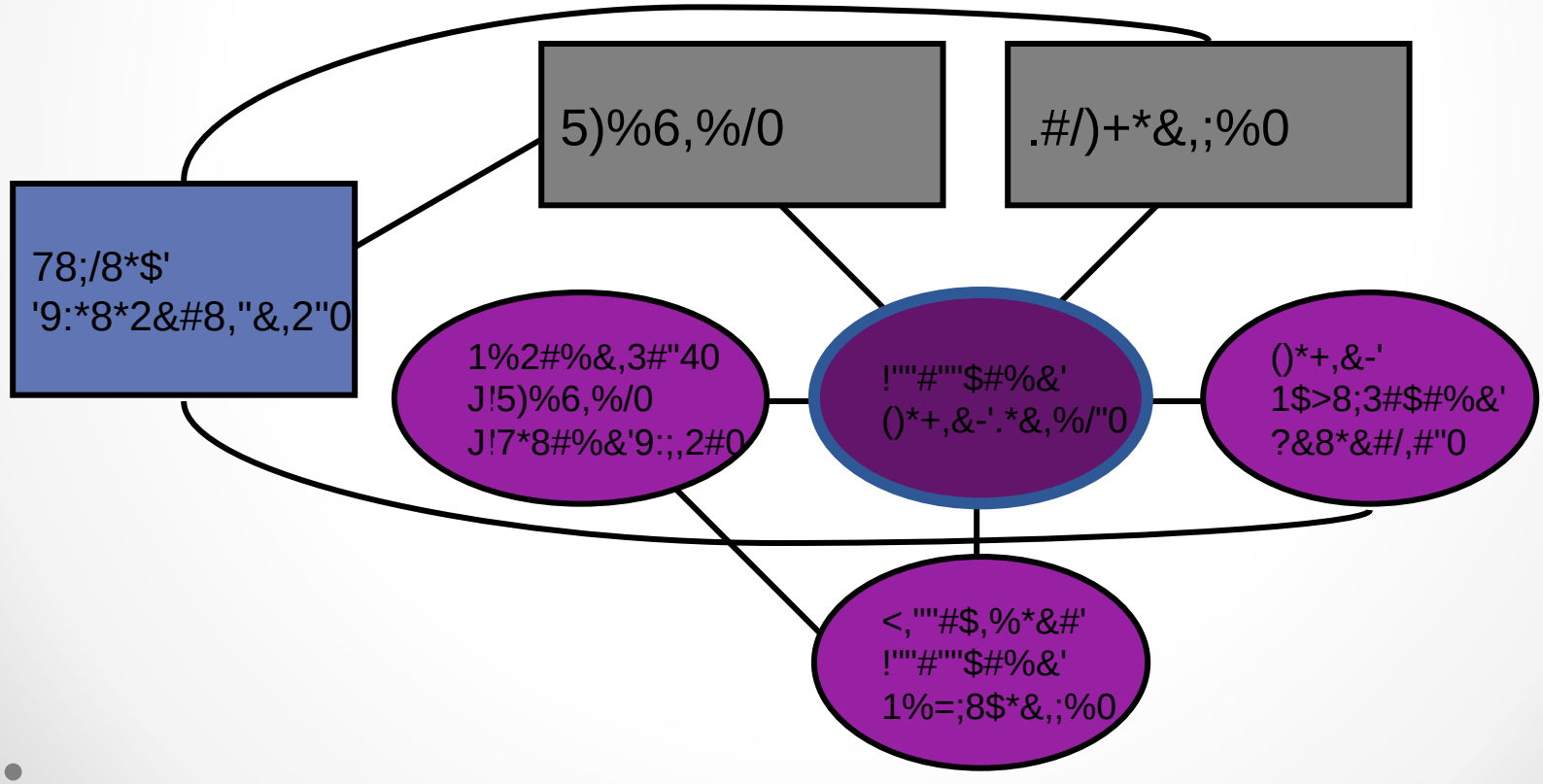

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What is a QRIS? !

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Toronto's QRIS: Early Learning and Care Assessment for Quality Improvement !

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Toronto's QRIS: Areas examined!

Structure of the Day :

Activities and Experiences Planned :

Physical Environment :

Learning :

Toronto's QRIS: Areas examined!

Physical Needs :

Health and Safety :

Interactions :

Toronto’s QRIS: Interaction items!

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Sample Infant Item Ð #3 Learning Experiences

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Sample Toddler Item - #5 Sensory, Science and Nature

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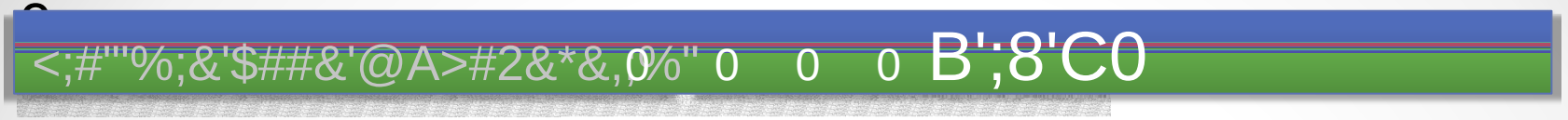

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Testing the validity of Toronto's QRIS: Preschool Study in 2009!

Study Sample Used for testing concurrent validity	Operational Data Used for testing psychometric properties

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Measure	Correlation with OC

BUT...

Testing the validity of Toronto's QRIS: Preschool Study in 2009!

- This raised concerns about potential bias in how individuals rate their assigned caseloads

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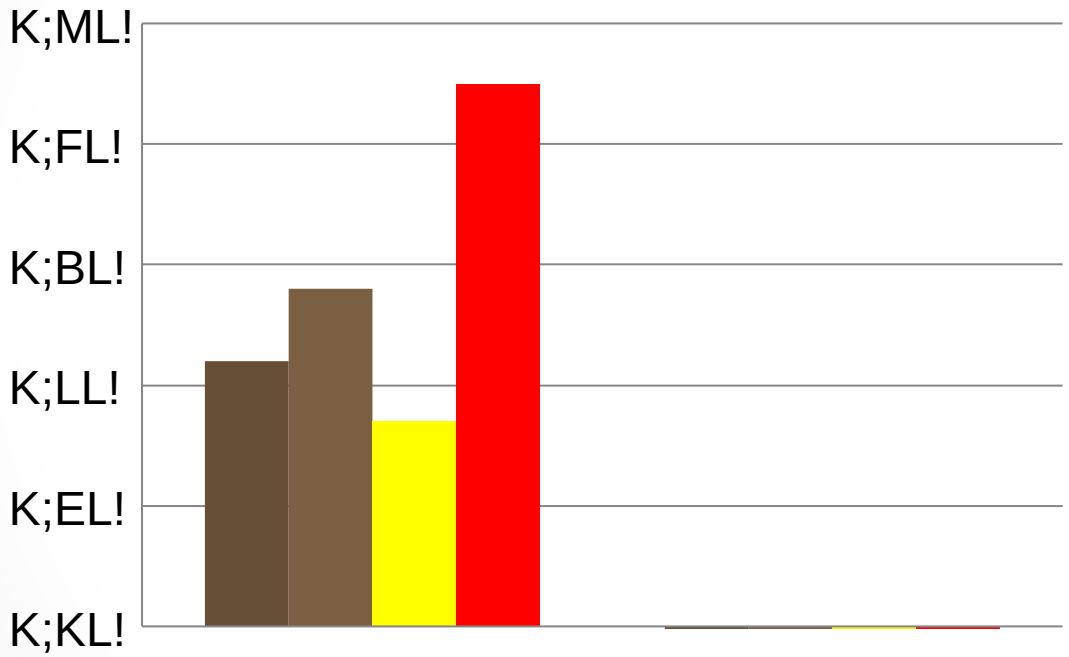

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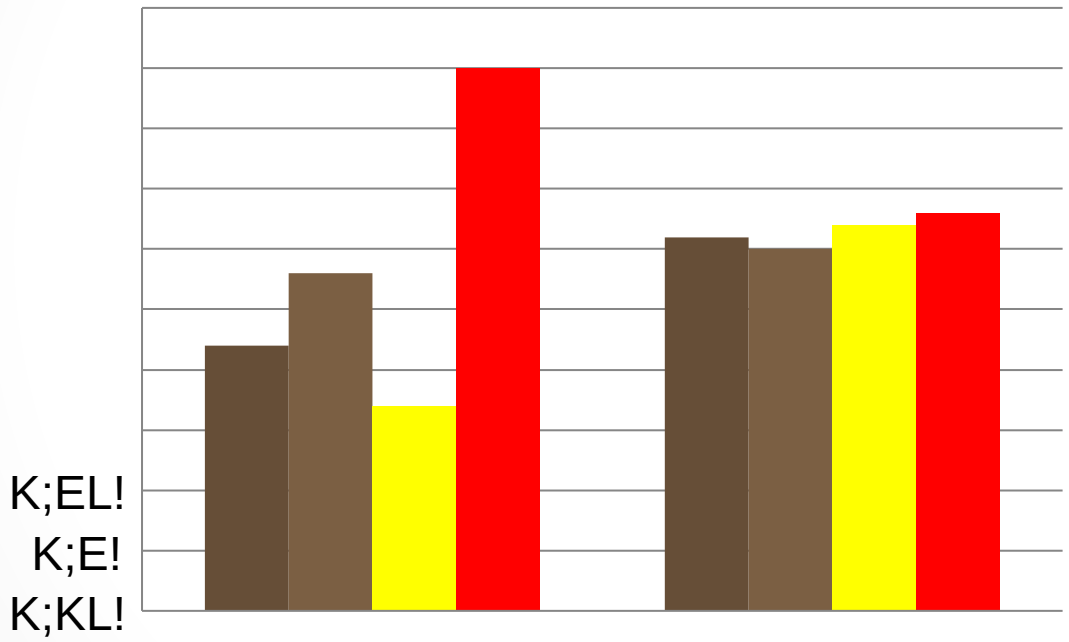

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