## **Meeting Observation Checklist**

AREA BEING ASSESSED		NOTES
THE WHAT (CONTENT AND STRUCTURE)		
	Does meeting start on time? Is there a published agenda? Is the agenda sent out ahead of time? Are the most important items on the agenda first? Did people prepare for the meeting? What did they do? Does the team follow shared norms?	
THE HOW (RELATIONSHIPS AND DYNAMICS)		
Dialogue and Discussion Dynamics		
_	Are all team members engaged and participating?	
	Does the team go beyond information sharing in its dialogue?	
	Do team members challenge each other?	
	Do team members ask each other about their areas?	
	Do people express differences of opinions, even	
	when unpopular?	
Decision Making Dynamics		
	Is the team focused on agreement or commitment?	
	How does the collective style of the group impact	
	problem solving and decision making?	
	Is the team closing out on decisions?	
	Are decisions and actions summarized at the end of	
	the meeting?	
General Dynamics of Team		
	Do people generally respect each other, enjoy each	
	others' presence, act as colleagues?	
	Are there signs of trust – asking for help, offering	
	help, apologizing, being vulnerable?	
	Do they act like a first team? Focused on overall	
	goals versus individual responsibilities, agendas, and	
	egos.	
	What individual habits impact conversation	
	(laughing, exaggerated words, body language and	
	reactions, rambling, too many stories/examples,	
etc.)?		
	Dynamics	
	What is the leader doing to encourage discussion?	
	What is the leader doing to blunt conversation?	