Guyana

**Demographics**

Population: 773,000
Annual births: 16,000
Children under 5: 76,000 (10%)
Under 5 mortality: 32/1,000

**Threats to Early Childhood Development**

Maternal mortality: 229/100,000
Low birthweight: 14%
Child poverty: no data
Harsh punishment: 70%

Young mothers (births by 18y): 16%
Preterm births: 13%
Under 5 stunting: 12%
Inadequate supervision: 87%

**Support and services for Early Childhood Development: Nurturing Care**

Parents and caregivers need a facilitating environment of laws, policies, services and community support to assist them to provide their young children with nurturing care.

**Support and services for Early Childhood Development: Facilitating Environments**

**Nutrition**

Early initiation of breastfeeding: 49%
Exclusive breastfeeding: 23%
Minimum acceptable diet: 40%

**Health**

Pregnant women living with HIV on treatment: 84%
Women receive 4 antenatal care visits: 93%
Postnatal newborn care: 87%

**Early Learning**

Children have support for learning: 5%
Children have playthings at home: 47%
Attendance in early childhood education: 61%
Homes have children’s books: 69%

**Security and Safety**

Birth registration: 89%
Positive discipline: 87%
Basic drinking water: 95%
Basic sanitation: 86%

**Policies**

- ✔ Paid maternity leave
- ✔ National minimum wage
- ✔ Child and family social protection
- ✗ International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes

**International Conventions**

- ✔ Convention on the Rights of the Child
- ✔ Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities
- ✔ CRC Sale of Children, Child Prostitution & Child Pornography
- ✗ Convention on Protection of Children and Cooperation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption

**Risks by gender and residence**

At risk in 2005, 2010 and 2015, using a composite indicator of under 5 stunting or poverty

**Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood**

Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage: 97%

**Residence and Gender**

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