**Early Childhood Development**

### Côte D’Ivoire

#### Demographics
- Population (2019): 25,717,000
- Annual births: 913,000
- Children under 5 (2019): 4,050,000 (16%)
- Under-five mortality: 81/1000

#### Threats to Early Childhood Development
- Maternal mortality: 617/100,000
- Low birthweight: 15%
- Child poverty: 33%
- Violent discipline: 83%
- Young mothers (births by 18y): 31%
- Preterm births by 18y: 14%
- Under-five stunting: 14%
- Inadequate supervision: 22%

#### Young children at risk of poor development
- At risk in 2005, 2010 and 2015, using a composite indicator of under-five stunting or poverty

#### Risk by sex and residence

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#### Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood
- Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage
- 90%
- Early Childhood Development Index: 63%

#### 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 in providing their young children with nurturing care.

#### Early Learning
- Early stimulation at home
- Playthings at home
- Children’s books in the home
- Attendance in early childhood education

#### Health
- Treatment for HIV+ pregnant women
- Careseeking for child pneumonia
- Antenatal care (4 or more visits)
- Postnatal visits

#### Nutrition
- Early initiation of breastfeeding: 37%
- Exclusive breastfeeding: 23%
- Minimum acceptable diet: 14%

#### Responsive caregiving
- Public information about ECD
- Parental mental health
- Parent support (groups, home visits)
- Quality child day care

#### Security and safety
- Birth registration
- Positive discipline
- Basic drinking water
- Basic sanitation

#### Facilitating environments

**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 Persons with Disabilities
- Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Cooperation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption

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