**EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT**

**Haiti**

**Demographics**
- Population (2019): 11,263,000
- Annual births: 270,000
- Children under 5 (2019): 1,266,000 (11%)
- Under-five mortality: 65/1,000

**Young children at risk of poor development**

**Threats to Early Childhood Development**
- Maternal mortality: 480/100,000
- Low birthweight: no data
- Child poverty: 23%
- Violent discipline: 82%
- Under-five stunting: 22%
- Inadequate supervision: 22%

**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.

**Facilitating environments**

**Policies**
- Paid maternity leave
- Paid paternity 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

**Countdown to 2030**

Women’s, Children’s & Adolescents’ Health

**Nutrition**
- Early initiation of breastfeeding
- Exclusive breastfeeding
- Minimum acceptable diet

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

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

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

**Risk by sex and residence**

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

135% Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage

65% Early Childhood Development Index

**Comparative country data urgently needed**

**DETAILED COUNTRY DATA SOURCES AND FOOTNOTES CAN BE FOUND IN THE MASTER DATABASE AT NURTURING-CARE.ORG**