**Early Childhood Development**

### Senegal

#### Demographics
- Population (2019): 16,296,000
- Annual births: 554,000
- Children under 5 (2019): 2,585,000 (16%)
- Under-five mortality: 44/1,000

#### Threats to Early Childhood Development

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<td>Maternal mortality</td>
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#### 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

#### Early Childhood Development Index

- 52%

### 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 ✓

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**Nutrition**

- Early initiation of breastfeeding 34%
- Postnatal visits 65%
- Antenatal care (4 or more visits) 57%
- Postnatal visits 77%
- Exclusive breastfeeding 42%
- Minimum acceptable diet 8%

**Health**

- Treatment for HIV+ pregnant women 60%
- Careseeking for child pneumonia 65%
- Postnatal visits 77%
- Antenatal care (4 or more visits) 57%

**Early learning**

- Early stimulation at home 29%
- Playthings at home 24%
- Children’s books in the home 1%
- Attendance in early childhood education 24%

**Responsive caregiving**

- Public information about ECD 77%
- Parental mental health 81%
- Parent support (groups, home visits) 81%
- Quality child day care 51%
- Comparative country data urgently needed

**Security and safety**

- Birth registration 77%
- Positive discipline no data
- Basic drinking water 81%
- Basic sanitation 51%

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