EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Belarus

Demographics

Population 9,449,321
Annual births 107,929
Children under 5 548,121 (6%)
Under-five mortality 3/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development

Maternal mortality 2/100,000
Low birthweight 5%
Child poverty no data
Violent discipline 68%

Young mothers (births by 18y) 3%
Preterm births 4%
Under-five stunting 4%
Inadequate supervision 4%

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

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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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