**EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT**

### Cabo Verde

#### Demographics
- **Population**: 555,988
- **Annual births**: 10,357
- **Children under 5**: 51,932 (9%)
- **Under-five mortality**: 15/1,000

#### Threats to Early Childhood Development
- **Maternal mortality**: 58/100,000
- **Low birthweight**: no data
- **Child poverty**: no data
- **Violent discipline**: no data
- **Young mothers (births by 18y)**: 22%
- **Preterm births**: 11%
- **Under-five stunting**: 21%
- **Inadequate supervision**: no data

#### Young children at risk of poor development

- **Risk by sex and residence**
  - **Girls**
  - **Boys**
  - **Rural**
  - **Urban**

#### Risk of growth deficit in early childhood
- **36%**
  - Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage

#### Children with functional difficulty
- **no data**

#### Children developmentally on-track
- **no data**

### 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
- **None**
- **Paid maternity leave (weeks)**
- **None**

#### International conventions
- [Convention on the Rights of the Child](#)
- [Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities](#)
- [CRC Optional Protocol on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography](#)
- [Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Cooperation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption](#)