**EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT**

**Kazakhstan**

**Demographics**
- Population: 18,776,707
- Annual births: 368,121
- Children under 5: 1,920,184 (10%)
- Under-five mortality: 10/1,000

**Threats to Early Childhood Development**
- Maternal mortality: 10/100,000
- Low birthweight: 5%
- Child poverty: no data
- Violent discipline: 46%
- Young mothers (births by 18y): 2%
- Preterm births: 9%
- Under-five stunting: 8%
- Inadequate supervision: 5%

**Young children at risk of poor development**
- 2005: no data
- 2010: no data
- 2015: no data

**Risk by sex and residence**
- Girls: no data
- Boys: no data
- Rural: no data
- Urban: no data

**Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood**
- 52% Estimate in terms of % loss of annual adult wage

**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

**Countdown to 2030**

Women’s, Children’s & Adolescents’ Health

**Health**
- Treatment for HIV+ pregnant women: 95%
- Antenatal care (4 or more visits): 98%
- Postnatal visits: 95%
- Early initiation of breastfeeding: 83%
- Exclusive breastfeeding: 38%
- Minimum acceptable diet: 83%

**Early learning**
- Early stimulation at home: 86%
- Playthings at home: 60%
- Attendance in early childhood education: 55%

**Security and safety**
- Birth registration: 100%
- Positive discipline: 96%
- Basic drinking water: 98%
- Basic sanitation: 98%

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

**Kazakhstan**

At risk in 2005, 2010 and 2015, using a composite indicator of under-five stunting or poverty

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