Republic of Korea

Early Childhood Development

Demographics
Population: 51,269,183
Annual births: 358,793
Children under 5: 1,897,011 (4%)
Under-five mortality: 3/1,000

Threats to Early Childhood Development
Maternal mortality: 11/100,000
Low birthweight: 6%
Child poverty: no data
Violent discipline: no data
Young mothers (births by 18y): no data
Preterm births: 9%
Under-five stunting: 3%
Inadequate supervision: 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

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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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