EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Serbia

Demographics

Population 8,737,370
Annual births 81,208
Children under 5 419,057 (5%)
Under-five mortality 5/1,000

Young children at risk of poor development

Risk by sex and residence

Lifetime cost of growth deficit in early childhood

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

Health

Treatment for HIV+ pregnant women
Careseeking for child pneumonia
Antenatal care (4 or more visits)
Postnatal visits

Early learning

Early stimulation at home
Children’s books in the home
Playthings at home

Nutrition

Early initiation of breastfeeding
Exclusively breastfeeding
Minimum acceptable diet

Responsive caregiving

Public information about ECD
Parental mental health
Parent support (groups, home visits)
Quality child day care

Security and safety

Birth registration
Positive discipline
Basic drinking water
Basic sanitation

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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