

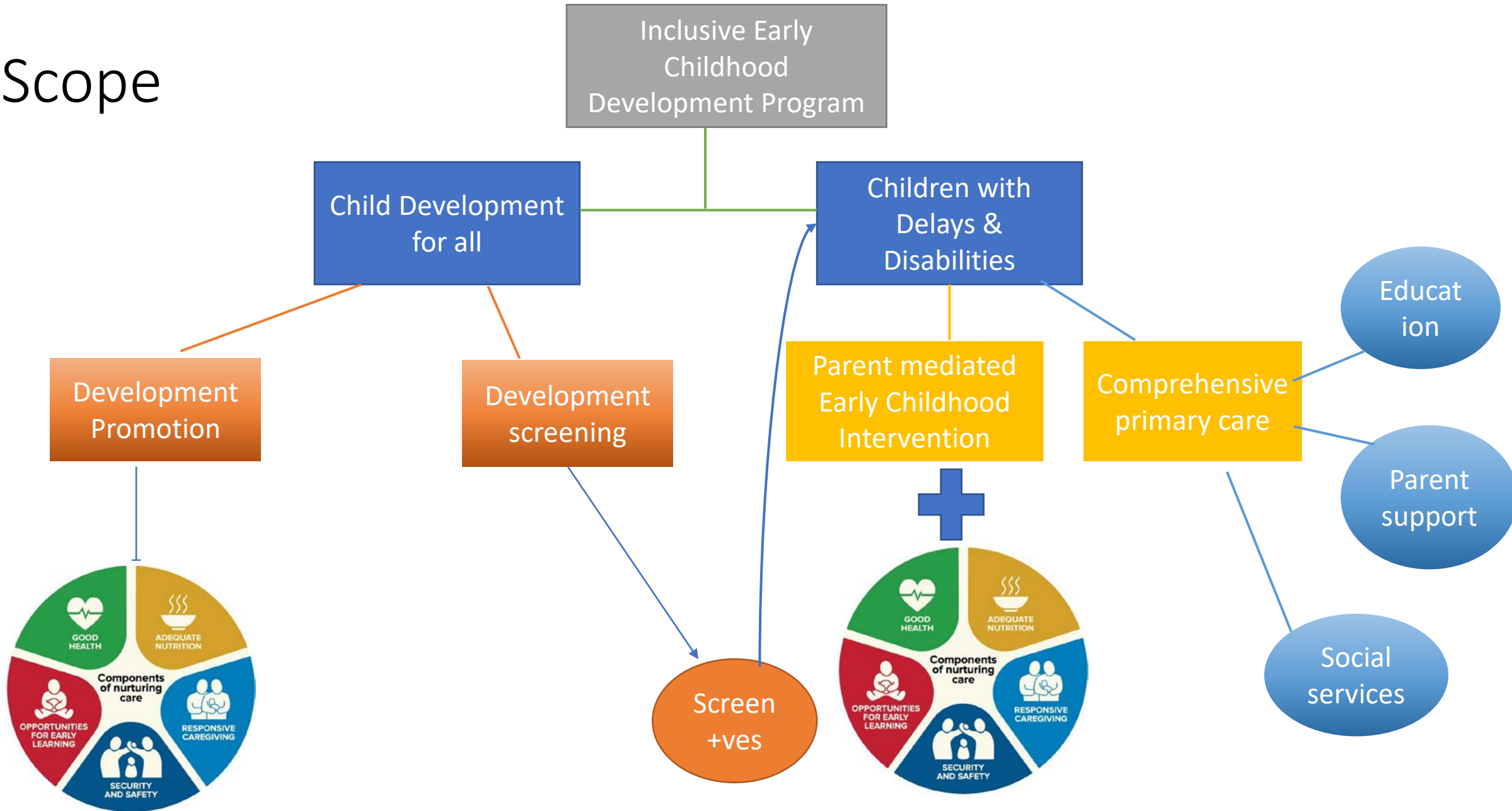


Inclusive Early Childhood Development Program

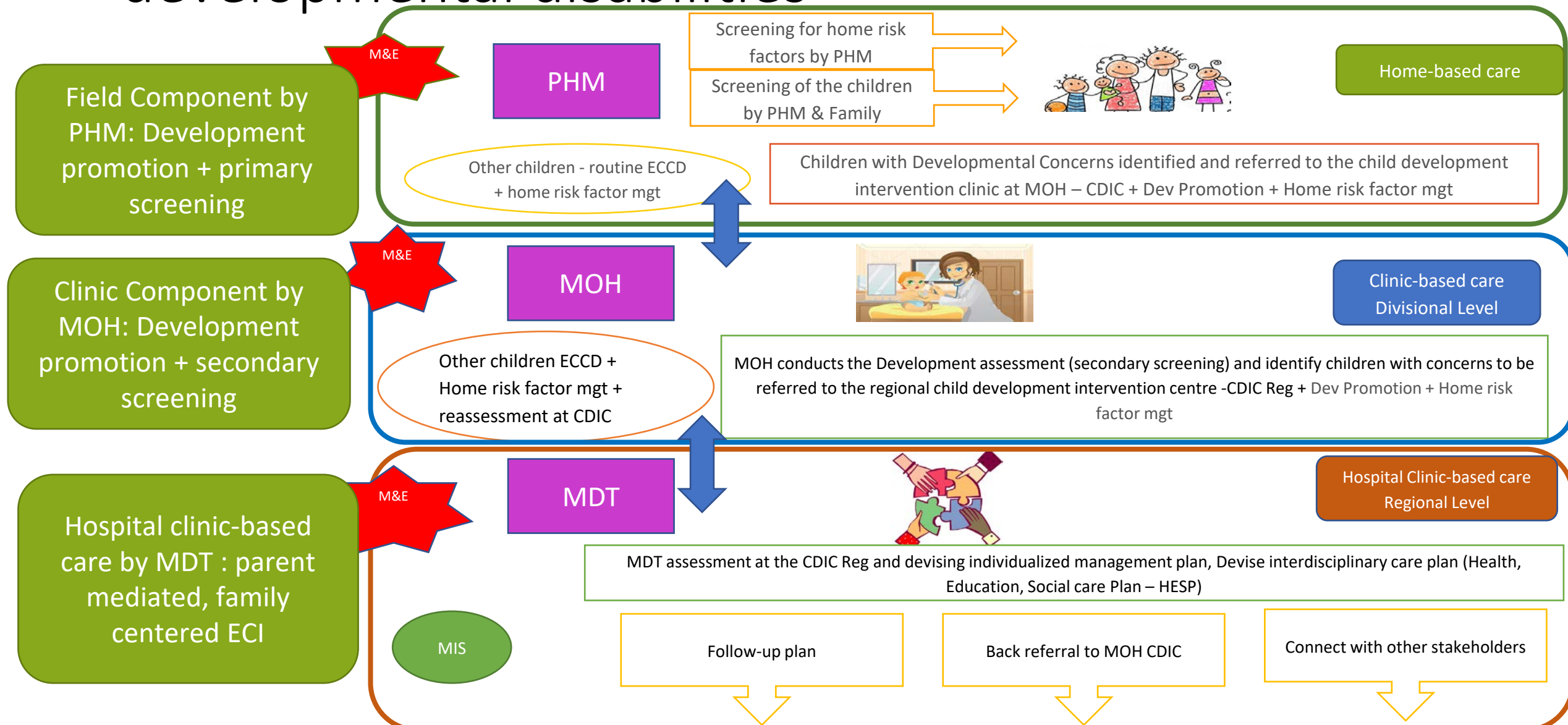
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Scope



Screening and early intervention for children with developmental disabilities





Reflection and next steps

- The primary level screening by the PHMs is successful
 - CHDR based screening tool ✓
 - Screening points combined with immunization points ✓
 - Psychometrics of the screening tool and sensitivity to detect mild and early disabilities yet to be established
- Secondary level screening by MOHs
 - Tools to be identified, adapted and validated
 - Capacity building
 - M&E & supervisory framework
- MDT by a team lead by the community pediatrician
 - Team-based care through appointment systems ✓
 - HR planning including mapping and introducing new cadres – yet to be done
- Implementation arrangements with cost inputs – yet to be designed as per resource availability
- Communication and advocacy strategy on ECD – yet to be developed
- Care-giver skills training- IEC/E modules – Policy for care-giver support
- Non-health sector involvement and training – education/social services/Governance
- Public involvement and engagement in disability inclusion – advocacy & awareness to reduce stigma/ discrimination

Implementation of Nurturing Care Framework	
Lead and Invest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strong coordination body & governance framework to facilitate optimum coordinated response between different departments within the health ministry as well as between ministries Developing a Communication Strategy & Costed implementation plans on NCF
Focus on Families and Their Communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evidence based Social behavioural change communication strategies to modify cultural norms on parenting, Targeted interventions for disadvantaged/vulnerable families and communities. Community-based approaches for nurturing care Targeted interventions for vulnerable children, institutionalized children Public involvement and engagement in disability inclusion
Strengthen Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improving maternal and paternal mental health- starting from pre-conception care Pre-school and primary education systems to adapt nurturing care practices in their settings and concentrate on holistic development of the child and not only on ECE identify opportunities to develop child friendly environments in all sectors that promote nurturing care Adopt & integrate global guidelines in to local systems and build capacities of service providers
Monitor Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introducing multisectoral accountability / M&E framework on ECD Possibility of introducing disbursement link indicators (with donors/ developmental partners) and /or progress monitoring indicators related to NCF in health and non health sector work plans
Use Data and Innovate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehensive information management systems / surveillance systems to monitor progress Developing a research archive and research priorities on ECD in local context