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NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN (NCC)

Detailed services according to policy areas of the Integrated Child Rights Policy

This document serves to guide service providers on the kinds of services which should be provided to children and families in line with the seven thematic areas of the Integrated Child Rights Policy as outlined below:

1. Identity and Nationality

- Conducting sensitization campaigns on birth registration
- Facilitation of children in tracing their families

2. Family and Alternative Care

- Conduct regular training, sensitization and dissemination of instructions on alternative care
- Organize trainings on child care system for parents, guardians, adoptive, foster parents and representatives of residential care
- Re-unification and Re-integration of children with families
- Conducting community sensitization campaigns on prevention of child abandonment and institutionalization
- Facilitate in the identification and support to emergency foster care families
- Facilitate in the identification and support to community child care volunteers
- Capacity building to children in foster and institutional care
- Regular monitoring of institutions caring for children
- Caring for children whose parents are imprisoned
- Protection and care for children living with their mothers in prison
- Provide residential/institutional care

- Reinforcement of family economy (cooperatives, regular loans, cash, income generating activities)
- Provide psychological and social support to families and children
- Construction and/or repair of houses
- Leisure and recreational activities

3. Survival, Health and Standards of Living

- Basic medical care provided through the health insurance scheme (mutuelle de santé)
- Special medical care not provided through the health insurance scheme
- PMTCT (Prevention of Mother to Children Transmission), VCT (Voluntary Counselling and Testing) and ARV (Antiretroviral therapy) for HIV/AIDS infected children/parents
- Promotion of adoption of family planning practices
- Education and prevention against infancy related diseases
- Promotion and Education on good sanitation and hygiene
- Promotion of immunization of all children under 5 years
- Provision of education on sexual and reproductive health
- Provision of clean and safe drinking water
- Provision of education on nutritious feeding practices
- Promotion of food security
- Therapeutic nutrition for malnourished children and/or children who are taking antiretroviral drugs
- Provide training to community health workers on child health related services
- Follow up on pregnant women and educating them on the best practices for caring about their new born babies

4. Education

- Provision of school stipends to vulnerable children
- Provision of uniform and other learning materials
- School feeding program
- Provision of ECD services
- Special Needs Education for children with disabilities
- Provision of special learning materials such as Braille equipment or hearing aids or orthopaedic aids)

- Provision of inclusive facilities
- Provision of psychosocial counselling services
- Vocational training and school kits/ funds to join a cooperative or to start a business
- Literacy courses and catch up courses

5. Protection

- Demobilization, rehabilitation and reintegration of children involved in the armed forces
- Prevention of child labor
- Rehabilitating children engaged in worst forms of child labor
- Preventing and eradicating the phenomenon of street children
- Prevention of trafficking of children (domestic or international)
- Provision of appropriate services to refugee children
- Provision of appropriate services to returnee refugee children
- Provision of disaster and emergency care services
- Training and awareness on prevention of discrimination and stigmatization against children
- Psychosocial support to children who have been abused

6. Justice

- Legal support to children
- Educate children and community on child rights and child obligations
- Provide support to child protection committees

7. Child Participation

- Support the functioning of children platforms at different levels
- Train and support members of children's forums at different levels in organization, participation, life skills, rights and development processes
- Produce and promote children's magazine that specifically addresses children's issues
- Promotion of play, recreation, sports and cultural activities