STATUS OF ECD SERVICES IN KWAZULU NATAL PROVINCE

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PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- Purpose
- Early Childhood Development Background
- Norms and Standards for Early Childhood Development
- Importance of ECD
- Status of Early Childhood Development in Kwazulu Natal
- Provincial Interventions on Early Childhood Development
- Way forward

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PURPOSE

- To apprise the HRD Technical Task Team on the status of ECD in KZN Province.

EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT BACKGROUND

- Early Childhood Development (ECD) is defined as a process of emotional, cognitive, sensory, spiritual, moral, physical, social and communication development of children from birth to school going age.

- Policy Mandates:
  - ➤ Constitution;
  - ➤ ECD Policy; and
  - ➤ Children's Act

- The Children's Act (No. 38 of 2005) dictates that Early Childhood Development services must be registered and comply with the following prescribed Norms and Standards of Chapter 5 and 6 of the Children's Act.

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NORMS AND STANDARDS FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

SECTION 79(2): CHAPTER 5	SECTION 94(2): CHAPTER 6
• A safe environment for children	• The provision of appropriate developmental opportunities
• Proper care for sick children or children who become ill	• Programmes aimed at helping children to realize their full potential
• Adequate space and ventilation (electricity and sanitation)	• Caring for children in a constructive manner and providing support and Security
• Safe drinking water	
• Hygienic and adequate toilet facilities(Ablution facilities)	• Ensuring development of positive social behavior
• Safe storage of anything that may be harmful to children	• Respect for and nurturing of the culture, spirit, dignity, individuality, language and development of each child.
• Access to refuse disposal services or other adequate means of disposal of refuse generated at the partial care facility	
• A hygienic area for the preparation of food for children	• Meeting the emotional, cognitive, sensory, spiritual, moral, physical, social and communication development needs of children
• Measures for the separation of children of different age groups	
• The drawing up of action plans for emergencies	
• The drawing up of policies and procedures regarding health care at the partial care facility	

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IMPORTANCE OF ECD

- Early childhood Development (ECD) has been identified as one of the Apex priorities of the Government of South Africa and is supported by legislation, National policies and strategies.

- The improvement of ECD services is recognized as part of Outcome 1: Improving Quality Basic Education in terms of the government focus areas.

- The government of South Africa supports an integrated approach to Early Childhood Development and believes that every child has the right to the best possible start in life.

- The Department of Social Development in line with the provisions of the Children's Act is responsible for the provision monitoring, registration, funding and expansion of ECD services.

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STATUS OF ECD CENTRES IN KZN

District Municipality	Population age 0- 4 yrs (Stats SA)	Registered & Funded	No. of children	Registered & Unfunded	No. of children	Unregistered & Unfunded	No. of children
Ilembe	77018	102	5 836	25	1 040	115	3 234
EThekwini South	327972	96	6195	16	715	192	9553
EThekwini North		193	12 547	98	7390	117	4 242
UMgungundlovu	103802	230	12 486	31	3 800	12	600
Harry Gwala	63490	129	2787	37	1198	93	2060
UGu	88077	196	9 327	125	2 998	11	940

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STATUS OF ECD CENTRES IN KZN cont….

District Municipality	Population age 0- 4 yrs	Registered & Funded	No. of children	Registered & Unfunded	No. of children	Unregistered & Unfunded	No. of children
UMkhanyakude	90186	280	19 583	80	4 289	102	2 980
King Cetshwayo	114234	205	11 733	40	1 324	46	1 102
Zululand	112324	221	11 298	33	1 475	53	1 646
UThukela	89609	105	5 184	102	2 886	58	1 342
UMzinyathi	72800	123	6 237	35	1 325	103	3 288
Amajuba	58621	98	6 905	12	1 506	15	1 300
TOTAL	**1,198,088**	**1979**	**110 118**	**634**	**29 946**	**917**	**32 287**

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NATIONAL ECD CONDITIONAL GRANT: SUBSIDY

District Municipality	Registered & Funded	No. of children
UMzinyathi	54	1 446
Amajuba	28	643
EThekwini North	40	1 548
EThekwini South	14	497
Ilembe	24	847
UGu	120	2 945
UMgungundlovu	36	744
UMkhanyakude	41	1 313
UThukela	34	1 065
King Cetshwayo	38	910
Zululand	67	1 737
Harry Gwala	49	920
TOTAL	**545**	**14 615**

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INTERVENTIONS/ PROGRAMMES BY KWAZULU NATAL: INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS	OPERATIONALIZATION
▪ **Provincial Integrated ECD Committee** ❖ Department of Social Development ❖ Department of Education ❖ Department of Health ❖ Department of Art and Culture ❖ Department of Sport and Recreation ❖ Office of the premier (ORC) ❖ Department of Agriculture ❖ COGTA ❖ National Development Agency	▪ Provincial Integrated ECD Action Plan. ▪ Memorandum of Understanding signed, outstanding is COGTA, DAC and OTP only.

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INTERVENTIONS/ PROGRAMMES BY KWAZULU NATAL: PROGS IMPLEMENTED

PROGRAMME	DEPT
• Registration and funding for Early Childhood Development (Centre based and Non-Centre based); • Child protection Register; • Child Protection Programme (Prevention and Early Intervention Programmes); and • Provision of stimulation equipment to registered unfunded centres.	DSD
• Phila Mntwana Programme; • Expanded Programme on Immunization (EPI); • Nutrition Programme; and • Integrated School Health.	DOH
• Learn and play	DSR
• Toy tubs and Libraries.	DAC
• Training of ECD Practitioners; and • Development and Implementation of Curriculum.	DOE
• One Crèche One Garden	DARD
• Child Care Facilities/ Community Works Programme (CWP)	COGTA

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WAY FORWARD

- Finalization of signing of the Memorandum of Understanding with 03 outstanding Government Departments: COGTA, DAC and OTP.

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THANK YOU

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