



YOUNG CHILDREN
AFFECTED BY
HIV AND AIDS
INITIATIVE
&
NURTURING CARE
FRAMEWORK
(WHO)

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OUR PROGRAM AREAS

CATHOLIC
SISTERS



DISASTER
RELIEF
& RECOVERY



FOSTER
YOUTH



HOMELESSNESS



HOSPITALITY
WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT



SAFE
WATER



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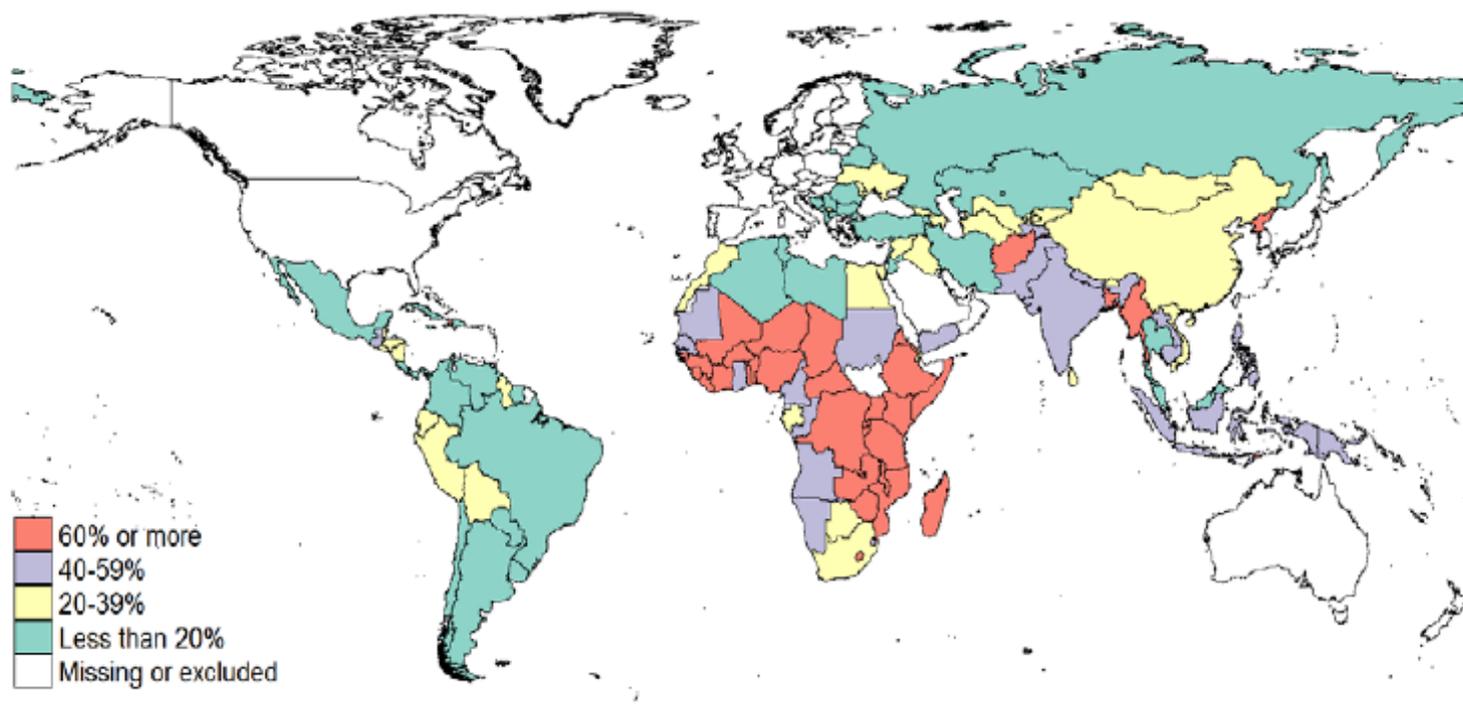


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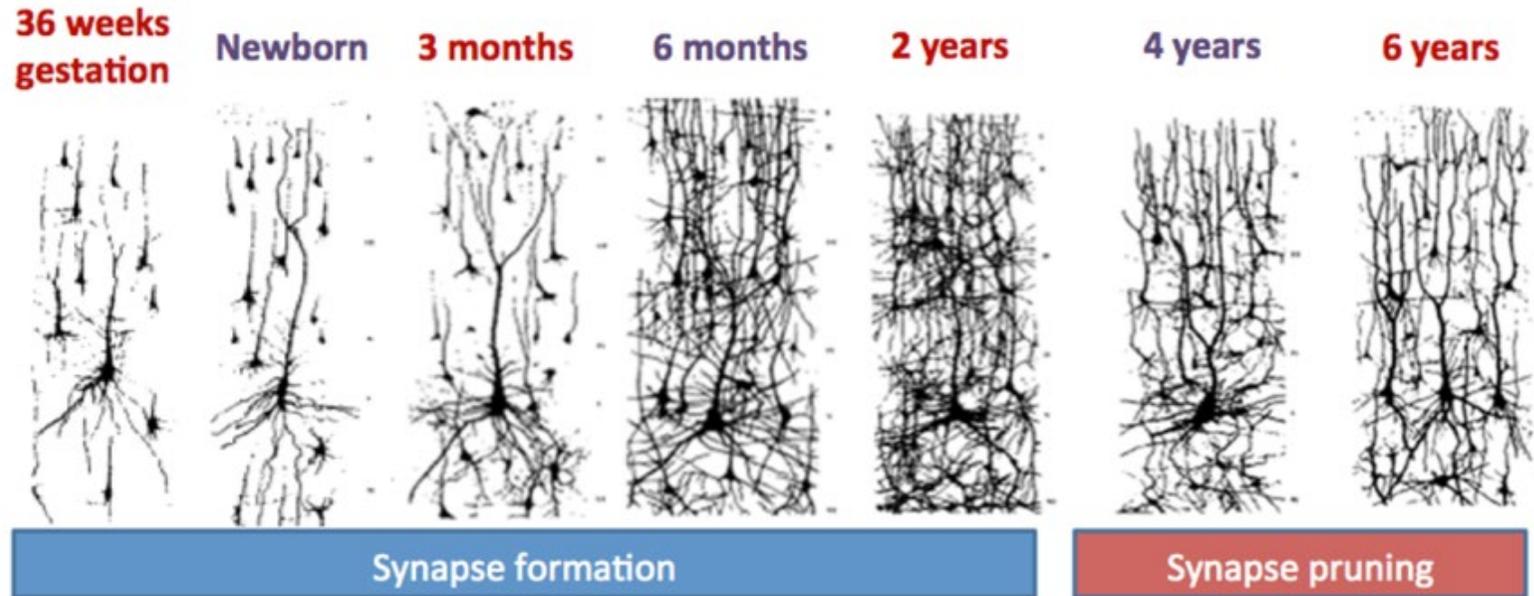
Improving early childhood development outcomes for young children affected by HIV and AIDS

The burden

At least 250 million children, or 43% in LMICs, are at risk of sub-optimal development due to poverty and stunting



Building the brain



- During late pregnancy the brain starts to wire itself forming connections
- In the months after birth over 1,000-10,000 new connections are made every second as the baby “senses” her environment.
- As babies get a little older, their brains begin to eliminate rarely used pathways and to reinforce those that are used often

The Lancet series (2016) key messages

- The first 1000 days, starting from conception, are a special period
- The most formative experiences come from **NURTURING CARE**
- Benefits are lifelong and intergenerational and the cost of inaction is huge
- Policies, information and services are essential
- Multi-sectoral collaboration is needed and the health sector has a special role to play



OUR 5 YEAR STRATEGY GOAL

To **identify, test, and deliver program approaches** that have the potential to improve developmental outcomes of all children affected by HIV and AIDS in Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Tanzania, and Zambia



Total
Children
Under Five:
25m

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INVESTMENT AREAS

WHAT: OUR FOCUS

HOW: OUR APPROACH

WHY: OUR INTENT

**ADVANCE
PROGRAMS**



Investing in proven and promising
APPROACHES

- Quality and effectiveness
- Parenting in first 1,000 days
- Culturally relevant solutions

To improve growth
and development
OUTCOMES

**STRENGTHEN
SYSTEMS**



Integrating ECD into
HEALTH SYSTEMS

- Responsive care within Maternal, Newborn and Child Health
- Policies and metrics
- Workforce development

To enable
SCALE-UP
and
SUSTAINABILITY



Enabling high-impact
COLLABORATION

- Local capacity building
- Networked advocacy
- District models

**BUILD
EVIDENCE
BASE**



Generating and disseminating
KNOWLEDGE

- Field testing
- Cost and feasibility studies
- Research and technical capacity

To focus
POLITICAL WILL
and increase
INVESTMENTS

**CHILDREN
SURVIVE
AND THRIVE**

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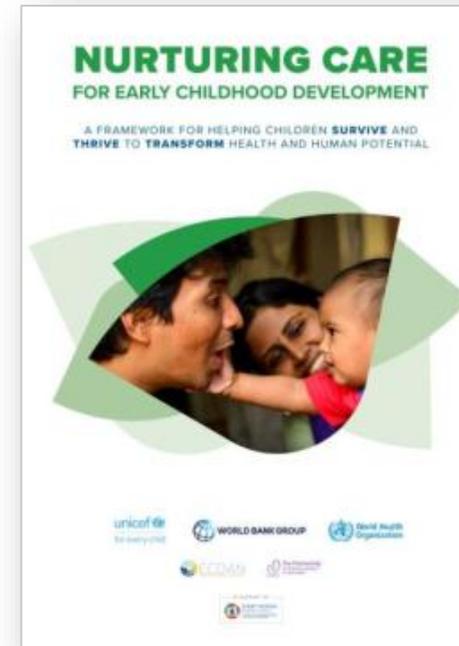
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The Nurturing Care Framework

launched at the time of the 71st World Health Assembly in 2018

A road map that outlines:

1. Why efforts must begin in the earliest years, from pregnancy to age 3
2. How nurturing care protects children from the worst effects of adversity
3. What caregivers need in order to provide nurturing care



Nurturing care

What the child's brain needs and expects for optimal development



Touch points

for supporting families and young children

Health and
nutrition

Education

Child protection

Social protection

Antenatal care
Postnatal care
Immunization
Well child care
Sick child care
HIV prevention and care
Nutrition rehabilitation



Clinical services

Home visits

Group sessions

Child care
centres

Additional platforms

Strengthening systems and doing things differently



Services that:

- address all five domains of nurturing care
- consider the needs of both caregivers & child
- Provide extra support for perinatal depression, developmental delays
- are connected across sectors

Engaged communities

Next Steps to Make the Framework Practical

Preparation of a range of policy briefs, guidance and tools including

- **Policy briefs on HIV**, mental health, disability etc.
- Situational assessment and planning guides
- Compilation of intervention best practices, innovations
- Community dialogue guides
- Sharing of tools on a knowledge platform (ECDAN)
- Advocacy materials
- Guidance on how to adapt training materials and tools to include Care for Child Development and parental mental health
- **Recommendations for priority implementation research questions**
- Follow-up for country actions plans



“If we change the beginning of the story, we change the whole story”

Raffi Cavoukian
The Beginning of Life

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