# Parenting for Early Childhood Development A multi-sectoral approach - Uganda

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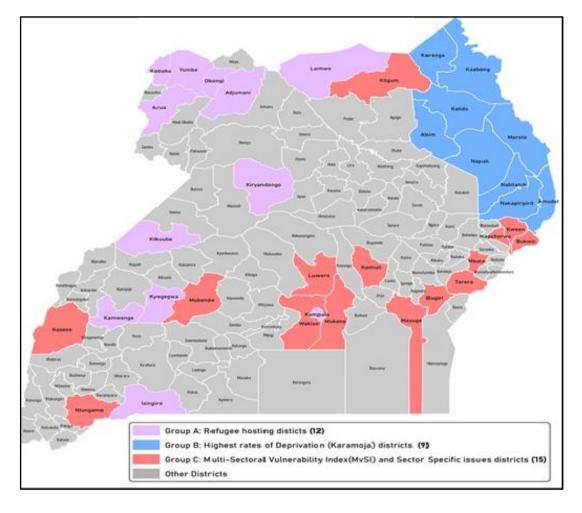


#### Situation

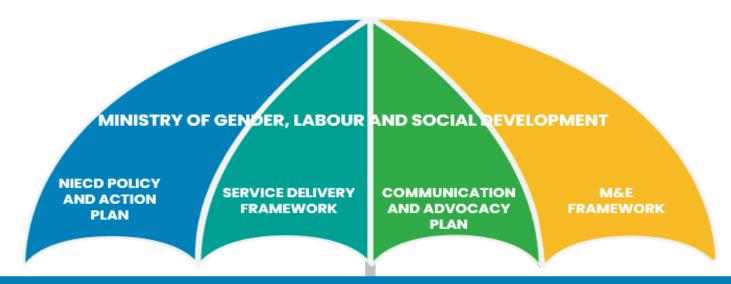




### Map of Uganda showing the 29 UNICEF focus Districts



#### A multi-sectoral delivery approach



Line Ministries: MoH, MoES, MoGLSD, MoLG, MoWE – implementing the 7 policy actions on ECCE, Child Protection, Food Security and Nutrition, PHC, Family Strengthening & Community support, Communication, Advocacy and Resource Mobilization and Muli-sectoral partnerships and coordination

SDF: Delivery of integrated services through 4 service delivery points at community level. Work through a system of coordination and collaboration to deliver mandated service and refer or collaborate with a resource person to support delivery e.g. VHT supporting parenting sessions at ECD centers

Communication and Advocacy: Social mobilization through campaigns, and mass media and targeted parenting support

M&E Framework: System to collect data, monitor activity implementation and evaluate programmes for improved programming

### Parenting Through Health Facilities

- Developed the Key Family Care Practices (KFCPs)
- Health workers capacity building

   Care for Child Development,
   KFCPs
- Training of 4,056 community resource persons on the KFCPs
- Home visits through VHTs
- Early identification of children with disabilities





### Parenting through ECD Centers

- Parenting programme through ECD centers

   parents' groups formed and trained on the 22 Key Family Care Practices with focus on learning through play over 40,000 parents reached in 2020/1
- Delivery through trained caregivers (Community Child Care Programme revised modules including KFCPs) and other resource persons e.g., VHTs, para-social workers, ToTs
- Home visits conducted for parenting support
- Resources: KFCP booklets (translated), Parents' Book, Sesame materials (multimedia content for parents and children)
- Referrals for more specialized services

### Parenting through communities

- Community dialogues conducted to highlight issues that hinder positive parenting and how these can be solved at community and household level
- Model parents with emphasis on positive parenting, safety and security for children
- KFCPs key messages through radio programmes (programme continuity during Covid-19 and wider reach geographically)
- Key parenting messages delivered in Places Of Worships (KFCPs incorporated into sermons)



## Lessons learned and scale up

- Strengthening coordination at all levels for improved programme delivery at both national and sub-national level
- Faith based organizations delivery model – Community level structures
- Introduce Caring for the Caregiver
- Need to work on strengthening flow of data to support planning and decision making at national and sub-national level





#### Thank You!

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