

## RENCP/ECCD Sub working group workshop minutes

**5th December**

**Venue:** Save the Children Office

**Chair person:** Elisa RADISONE (SC)

**Minutes:** Charles NGENDAHI MANA (SC)

Save the Children ECCD& Child Rights Programme Manager introduced the aim of RENC P for those organizations who are not yet members. RENC P has established sub-working groups in which member organizations can share and discuss challenges related to their specific areas of interest.

As ECCD working group our aim is to develop a strong network of organizations working in ECCD – as an integrated approach or in specific areas such as Education, Health, Nutrition, Hygiene and Sanitation, Child Protection and Psychosocial support for children aged 0 to 8.

Save the Children Country Director appreciated the attendance of different organizations and encouraged the working group to use the group as an opportunity for experience sharing and learning from one another rather than as ‘another working group’.

### **Participants:**

- ✓ Care International
- ✓ CHF International
- ✓ RTP (Right To Play)
- ✓ Strive foundation Rwanda
- ✓ KUA (Kundumwana Association)
- ✓ Hope Rwanda
- ✓ Save the Children
- ✓ Right to Play

### 1. Mapping - Who does What and Where

| Who               | What  | Where  | Comments/Observation |
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| Save the Children | <p>Focus: 3-6 years</p> <p><b>At community level</b><br/> Rehabilitation/construction of 21 ECCD centres already established by communities<br/> Establishment of parents' committees<br/> Sensitization to local authorities and communities on ECCD<br/> Trainings on ECCD, importance of play and teaching methodology( Caregivers, Caregivers Assistants, Parent Committees, Local authorities)<br/> Provision of Learning materials + toys+ furniture and Equipments<br/> Provision of kitchen materials and porridge</p> <p><b>At national level</b><br/> Supported MINEDUC to develop a training guide on ECCD/ module</p> <p><b>Plans for next year:</b><br/> Strengthen integration of Health/nutrition/CP within the ECCD programme<br/> Pilot a 0-3 programme focusing at parents education and playgroups</p> | Glcumbi( Rubaya<br>Rubavu(Rubavu)<br>Ruhango( Mwendu)<br>Burera ( Gitovu)        |                      |
| Strive foundation | <p>Target 2- 6 years</p> <p>Provision of Trainings ( Care givers, local authorities, ECCD community, Health center representative)<br/> Distribution of Play materials, mats, furniture, kitchen utensils<br/> Rehabilitation of classrooms<br/> Income-generating activities to centers (a Cow per center)</p>   | Rusizi( Kibogora,<br>Hanika...)<br>Nyamasheke ( Kanazi...)<br>Musanze,<br>Burera |                      |

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| <p>Care International</p> | <p>3-6 years /20 centres<br/> 0-2 years Home Based Approach</p> <p>40 children per class and 120 per centre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <b>Child development</b></li> <li>✓ <b>Health</b></li> <li>✓ <b>Nutrition</b></li> <li>✓ <b>Sustainability</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Child Development</b><br/> Rehabilitation of centres<br/> Identification of vulnerable children<br/> Parent committees set up<br/> Provision of playground and didactic materials<br/> Caregivers selection<br/> Caregivers training on ECCD approach</p> <p><b>Health</b><br/> Sensitize parents to provide children with the Health Insurance<br/> Conduct Health Check up of children at nearby health centres</p> <p><b>Nutrition</b><br/> Provision of porridge<br/> Trainings to parents about nutrition of children under 5</p> <p><b>Sustainability</b><br/> IGA: Agricultural activities, Bee hives Livestock( Goats distributed to each household –the income generated goes to the ECCD centre)</p> | <p>-Kamonyi( Nyarubaka, Karama and Musambira Sectors)<br/> -Musanze( Gashaki Sector)</p> |  |
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| KUA( Kundumwana Association)               | <p>Started in 2009 –<br/> Focus on 2-7 years<br/> Rehabilitation/ construction of centres<br/> Payment of care-givers incentives<br/> Trainings to care-givers<br/> Linkages with Health, Nutrition and Child protection</p>  | Nyanza District ( Kibilizi Sector)  |   |
| RTP( Right To Play)                        | <p>Target 2-5 years – 7 nursery schools<br/> Training modules on ECP(Early Child Play) – animators are trained and follow-up provided<br/> Sensitization to the parents on importance of sport<br/> Rehabilitation when needed( classrooms, playgrounds)<br/> Provision of materials to conduct the activities in the training module<br/> Water tanks/ hygiene</p>   | Kigali<br>Rubavu<br>Bugesera  |   |
| CHF International-USAID/Higa Ubeho Project | <p><b><i>Playgroup for children under 5</i></b></p> <p>Set- up Play-groups in 17 sites at selected Nursery school – Participants are students from the nursery schools, other children from the community and Parents.<br/> Development of a training manual with activities<br/> Trainings on Playgroup activity guide<br/> Sensitization of Parents on the Importance of Play<br/> Provision of Materials&amp; toys locally made</p> <p><b><i>Nutrition for Children under 5</i></b></p> <p>Monthly identification and follow up of malnourished children at community level ( Umudugudu)<br/> Training of CHW on malnutrition detection in children under 5 and treatment<br/> Provision of cooking demonstration equipment<br/> Intensive cooking demonstration for parents of malnourished</p> | <p>Gakenke<br/>Rulindo<br/>Kicukiro<br/>Gasabo<br/>Muhanga<br/>Ruhango</p> <p>Gakenke, Muhanga,<br/>Ruhango, Kamonyi,<br/>Nyabihu</p> | <p>Partners: CARITAS, WE ACTX FOR HOPE, ICYUZUZO, DUHAMIC ADRI, ADEPR,WIF</p> <p>Partners: CARITAS, ADEPR</p> |

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|                            | children<br>Teaching session on Good feeding practices for Parents<br>Teaching session on hygiene  |        |  |
| HOPE: Rwanda/ HOPE: Global | Focus: ECD Teacher/ Caregiver Training<br>1 Nursery Centre 3-6 'Fruits of HOPE' Kigali<br>ECD Train The Trainer/ Caregiver/ Teacher materials<br>Training on first aid, hygiene, importance of play, development milestones<br>Partner with existing organizations to provide ECD training for their staff | Kigali |  |

## 2. Development of ToRs for the working group

Participants brainstormed around the following questions:

- Why do we want/need a Civil Society ECCD working group?
  - What activities should we support? How often do we meet?
- Communication: alert others when a training is organized
  - Sharing experiences
  - Training activities
  - Study tours
  - Joint advocacy

Save the Children will draft TORs and share with the group for inputs.

### 3. Development of 2012 Action plan for the working group

Participants brainstormed around concrete activities to be developed in 2012 by the working group

- **Global campaign for Education 2012** - SC presented to participants the 2012 Global Campaign for Education that will focus on ECCD (22<sup>nd</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> April) – participants agreed to coordinate activities through the ECCD working group. Organizations having budget to devote to the campaign will implement activities extra to their ongoing ECCD work – organizations not having budget to devote to the campaign extra no-cost activities will be implemented during that week – f.i. sensitization to community members with strong ECCD messages.

Organizations will be free to decide what activities will be implemented and where – the working group will serve as a basis for coordinating actions. SC will also discuss with UNICEF and MINEDUC for opportunities to joining up and implement a nation-wide campaign.

- Regular meetings with Topics/ Experiences discussions: one meeting every 3 months

Examples of topics for discussion during the regular meetings (to be agreed through e-mail circulation and voting before each regular meeting)

- ECCD Infrastructures constructed/rehabilitated by member organizations
- ECCD Training modules/materials/publications developed by member organizations – including challenges in implementation of child-centred approach
- Transition to primary school activities supported by member organizations
- Sharing of study visits abroad conducted by member organizations
- ECCD centres sustainability: Care-givers incentives and Income-generating activities

- Toys and learning materials at ECCD centres
- Etc.
  
- Communication: put together all of documents we want to share: library, websites
- 2 Study visits

**Follow-up:**

1. Save the Children to share minutes by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December;
2. Save the Children to develop draft Terms of Reference - based on participants' brainstorming - to be reviewed and approved by Member Organizations;
3. Save the Children to develop the draft Work Plan for 2011 –based on participants' brainstorming - to be reviewed and approved by Member Organizations;
4. Save the Children to share the link of RENCPC website where organizations that are not yet registered should register