

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION REPORT BENCHMARKS OF QUALITY

5 CATEGORIES

GOVERNANCE	PTS	FUNDING	PTS	ACCESS	PTS	LEARNING ENVIRONMENT	PTS	ACCOUNTABILITY	PTS
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21 BENCHMARKS

ECEC under common department/ministry	.5	At least 2/3 of child care funding goes to program operations	1	Full-day Kindergarten	1	ECEC curriculum framework	.25	Current and posted annual progress reports	1
Common ECEC supervisory unit	.5	Managed salary and fee scale in licensed child care	1	Licensed capacity for at least 50% of 2- to 4-year olds in ECEC programs	1	Mandatory use of ECEC curriculum framework	.25	Facilities standards for ECEC programs include Kindergarten	1
Common ECEC policy framework	1	At least 3% of overall budget devoted to ECEC	1	Funding conditional on including children with special needs	1	Alignment of ECEC programs with Kindergarten	.5	Population measures for preschool collected	1
Common local authority for ECEC administration and delivery	1					At least 2/3 of staff in programs for 2- to 4-year-olds are qualified	.5		
						Kindergarten educators require ECEC qualifications	.5		
						Wages of ECEs at least 2/3 of teachers	.5		
						ECE professional recognition required	.25		
						ECE professional development required	.25		
15 POINTS	3	+	3	+	3	+	3	+	3