

Costed evaluation plan – Uruguay – UNICEF country programme of cooperation, 2027–2030

The table presents evaluations planned for the duration of the programme cycle. Additional guidance on financial resources for evaluation is outlined in the revised evaluation policy of UNICEF (2023) ([E/ICEF/2023/27](#)) and its corrigendum ([E/ICEF/2023/27/Corr.1](#)).

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Evaluation of Adolescent Mental Health Programme (Ni Silencio Ni Tabú – NSNT)	1.1	Area 3. Fewer children in multidimensional poverty	<p>NSNT responds to an acute mental health burden among adolescents (1 in 4 report sadness/low well-being, and suicide rates are among the highest in the region), amid inequities in access to timely, quality, free mental health services tailored to the specific needs of children and adolescents and fragmented responses.</p> <p>UNICEF has been involved in the programme since its inception, providing technical assistance to its design and to accelerate its implementation. It is also an innovative strategy with potential scaling in other countries.</p>	<p>National Institute of Youth</p> <p>Ministry of Social Development (MIDES)</p>	<p>Findings will be used to strengthen programme design, particularly to reduce inequities in access to quality, adolescent-responsive services, and to support the scale-up and institutionalization of the model within national systems.</p> <p>The evaluation will also refine the role of UNICEF as a knowledge and influence partner, informing policy dialogue and resource allocation decisions, given the significant contribution to OR.</p> <p>In addition, it will generate evidence on innovative approaches in</p>	2027	<p>20 000 (RR)</p> <p>55 000 (ORR)</p> <p>75 000 (total)</p>

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			The funds from NSNT provided by the Government comprise a sizeable portion of the OR.		high-income settings, contributing to cross-country learning on adolescent mental health programming.		
Evaluation of UNICEF contribution to the improvement of the coordination of social protection and special protection policies to reduce multidimensional poverty	1.1	Area 3. Fewer children in multidimensional poverty	Reducing child poverty is one of the priorities of the Government (4 out of 10 children live in monetary or multidimensional poverty). Uruguay has a sizeable social spending and policy portfolio, but the lack of coordination among them limits their effectiveness, particularly in the current fiscal restrictions. The Government has put in place a new governance framework to improve coordination, and has requested UNICEF to provide technical assistance.	MIDES National Institution for Children and Adolescents (INAU) Office of Budget and Planning	The evaluation will assess the contribution of UNICEF to strengthening coordination across social and special protection policies to reduce multidimensional child poverty. Findings will identify effective coordination mechanisms to improve coverage, efficiency and equity of social spending under fiscal constraints. Evidence will be used to refine the technical assistance and value addition of UNICEF as a systems partner, and to support scaling of integrated approaches that better reach	2028	20 000 (RR) 30 000 (ORR) 50 000 (total)

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					<p>vulnerable children.</p> <p>In addition, the evaluation will inform resource allocation decisions, and contribute to organizational learning on intersectoral coordination and poverty reduction in high-income contexts.</p>		
Evaluation of the programme to prevent family separation in early childhood	3.2	Area 4. Children protected from violence	<p>Uruguay has one of the highest rates of institutionalized children and adolescents (321 per 100 000, significantly above the regional average of 86). The Government, with technical assistance from UNICEF, is developing a new coordination mechanism between justice and social policies that operate as gatekeeping and territorial prevention services.</p> <p>The initial execution of the project will be done by UNICEF to</p>	INAU	<p>The evaluation will assess the contribution of UNICEF to strengthening policies and systems to prevent family separation and reduce institutionalization in early childhood.</p> <p>Findings will inform policy dialogue and decision-making on the implementation of the gatekeeping and territorial prevention model, including coordination between justice and social</p>	2029	<p>20 000 (RR) 35 000 (ORR) 55 000 (total)</p>

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			accelerate results, with OR contribution from the Government.		<p>protection systems, case management and foster care alternatives.</p> <p>Evidence will be used to refine the UNICEF technical assistance and support the scale-up and institutionalization of effective approaches within national systems.</p> <p>The evaluation will also inform resource allocation decisions, given the programme’s significant contribution to OR, and contribute to learning on integrated, system-focused approaches to child protection.</p>		
Strengthening institutional capacity for evaluation (National Evaluation Capacity Development programme – NECD)	Cross-cutting	Cross-cutting across areas 3 and 4 and programme effectiveness enablers	The strengthening of national evaluation systems is a critical driver for ensuring learning, accountability and decision-making with partners.	<p>Office of Planning and Budget</p> <p>Coordination Unit of the GAPIIA Law</p> <p>Technological University</p>	The NECD programme will focus on innovation that will strengthen national institutions’ capacity for	2027–2030	<p>10 000 (RR)</p> <p>20 000 (ORR)</p> <p>30 000 (total)</p>

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				Other universities	evaluation for advancing child rights. This will enable a better link between planning, budget implementation and results with the main government institutions involved.		
Total resources							70 000 (RR) 140 000 (ORR) 210 000 (Grand total)