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Thriving
By 2030, all countries in the region have at least 95% at the national level with minimum 80% at the regional level of children vaccinated with DTP/Penta 3.

Protecting
By 2030, zero children in institutional care.

Learning
By 2030, 1 million out-of-school girls and boys are enrolled in high quality, inclusive pre-primary, primary and secondary education and skills development.

Connecting
By 2030, 20 million adolescents in the Region, including the most vulnerable, have a chance to be connected, engaged and empowered.

Including
By 2030, reduce by 6.6 million the number of children at risk of poverty or social exclusion.

Focused learning and advocacy agenda which can go beyond geographical boundaries.

Shared approaches to reach equity at scale.

Core to UNICEF’s mandate and comparative advantage.

Contributes to regional identify.
UNICEF response to COVID-19 has been and will continue to be framed and coordinated within the UN interagency Socio-Economic Response Plan (SERP), anchored within the SDGs and the national COVID-19 response.

**Key support has been provided in:**

- Continuity of essential maternal, newborn, child, health services including immunization, home visiting, and nutrition counselling;
- Development and roll out the national platform of online learning offering continuous learning opportunities to children including the training of teachers in delivering digital, distance, and blended learning;
- Supporting provision of cash assistance support to children most affected by poverty;
- Provision of direct psycho-social support on mental health to children and parents/caregivers
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Key and emerging areas in the new CPD

- **Life cycle approach** to gender transformative programming
- **Increased investment in adolescents and young people**
- **Emergency preparedness** and response, and disaster risk reduction
- **Focus on the evolution of the normative framework** at subnational level
CPD links to the government plans and priorities

- National Strategy for Development and Integration
- National Plan for European Integration
- National Agenda for Children
- Sectorial and cross-sectorial Strategies
- Recovery and Response Plan from impact of COVID-19
Linkages of UNICEF CPD with UNSDCF and SDGs

Outcome 1  
Young Children

Outcome 2  
School-aged and adolescent children

Outcome 3  
Protecting Children

Outcome 4  
Enabling Environment

A - Equitable, inclusive investment in people

C2 - Gender Empowerment and reduce violence

C1 - Accountable Government
Key challenges and mitigations foreseen

Potential re-structuring of the government institution and turnover in key staff

- Focus on institutional building, and system strengthening and continued capacity building, regular dialogue, and advocacy

Other EU accession areas given priority rather than child rights agenda.

- Support to diversified evidence-based advocacy agenda to leverage children’s rights in the EU agenda
Key and emerging areas in the new CPD

- Shock-responsiveness and integration of social protection systems and strengthening of social service workforce;
- Mental health and psychosocial support;
- Mitigating effects of climate change on children;
- Public finance for children and private sector mobilization.
Links to the government plans and priorities

- Transformation Strategy of Armenia 2050;
- Programme of the Government of the Republic of Armenia (2019–2023);
- Health System Strengthening National Strategy (2020–2025);
- Armenia’s Every Newborn Action Plan;
- Child Injury and Trauma Prevention Strategy (2018–2023);
## Links to the UNSDCF and the SDGs

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The CPD is in line with the country’s commitments to the Sustainable Development Goals.
Key challenges and mitigations foreseen

Limited financial resources to support social sector reforms and take innovations to scale

- Advocate and provide technical assistance to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of expenditure while leveraging domestic, regional and global resources.

Insufficient policy planning and deficit of professional cadres in remote areas

- Prioritize support to long-term planning for human resources and service provision.
• CPDs to continue to be fully aligned with National Priorities, UNSDCFs and UNICEF’s Strategic Plan

• Frameworks of the Regional Flagship Results, national priorities and the UNSDCF to inform the development of the CPDs;

• Innovation and SDGs Agenda shaping results for children
  ○ Use of the SDG indicators
  ○ Promotion of latest technologies
Thank you