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ARCS: Achieving the Rights of the Child Systemwide - Output



Context

Investments in children's emotional well-being in early years have positive long term economic and social development impacts that extend throughout the life course and into the next generation.

Under the child-centered guiding principles of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, all children have the right to inclusive, timely, promotive, equitable, and participatory health, education, and social care. There are several determinants of a child's well-being that affect their right to grow and develop to his/her full potential. These determinants may be environmental, social, or encompassed in laws, policies, and services, and can be best addressed by considering interventions that affect the child, families, and communities. Rigorous and representative evidence-based initiatives are key to developing progressive policy and program reforms.

Vision and Objectives

The ARCS playframe is designed to provide a child-centered lens for anyone seeking to create environments, experiences, policies and solutions that will foster the emotional well-being of children from 0-8 years old.

Through the ARCS playframe parents can explore and find information and resources to guide them in supporting their children's emotional wellbeing and understanding how their own feelings are affecting their relationships with their children. Building and supporting love, a strong emotional attachment and trust between a parent and child lasts a lifetime and feels great too. With information on children's emotional development, parenting, and tips, songs, stories and activities to support children's and families' well being, there is sure to be more loving, playful fun in your home, family and life.

Audience

The audience for the ARCS playframe is the users of the playframe. This is everyone working with and for the betterment of the emotional well-being of children aged 0-8, as well as children themselves.

Solution

Designed with the child at heart, ARCS enables children to interact and engage in games and resources to support their emotional wellbeing.

Fostering curiosity and exploration, it supports the child's learning of important and fun skills such as understanding and sharing feelings, calming down when upset, thinking about what other people could be thinking, feeling or experiencing, and of course having fun, investigating, imagining and playing.

The wider Abu Dhabi community can support their children and families through engaging in the ARCS playframe to connect, share family-friendly events, ideas, activities and resources. It can show children and families how to find wonderful parks and natural play spaces and the city's hidden gems – such as the quiet spaces close by when someone needs a break.

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Thank you

