

# KEY ACHIEVEMENTS AND CHALLENGES SINCE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ECD POLICY

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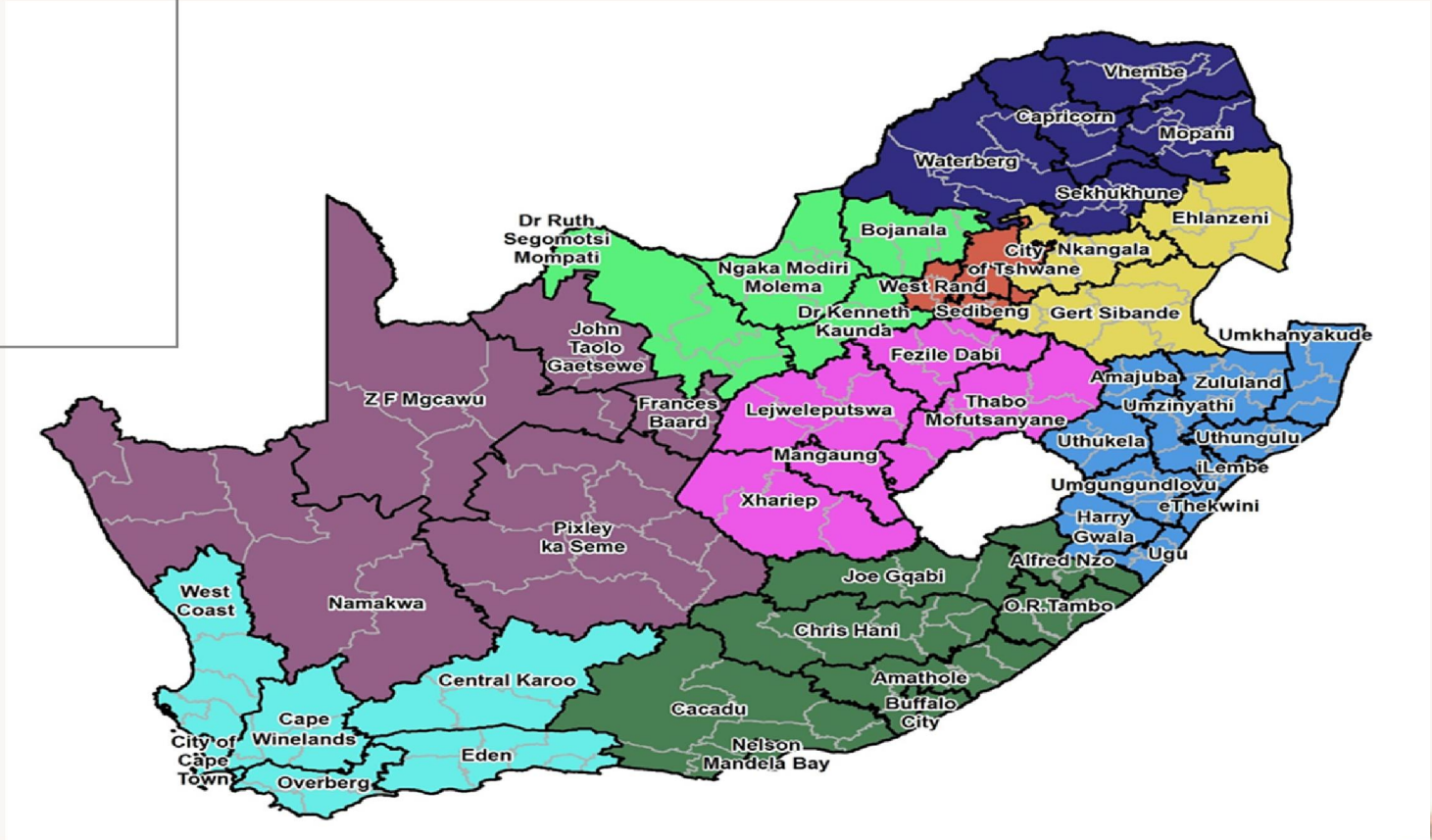
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# BACKGROUND

- 8.2 million children 0-6 years of age
- 60% live in the poorest households
- ±80% coverage of child support grant
- 602 655 poor children receiving ECD subsidy
- Weak quality, data and infrastructure systems
- Not enough funding allocated to ECD



# COORDINATION AND COLLABORATION

Inter-Ministerial Committee

National Interdepartmental Committee

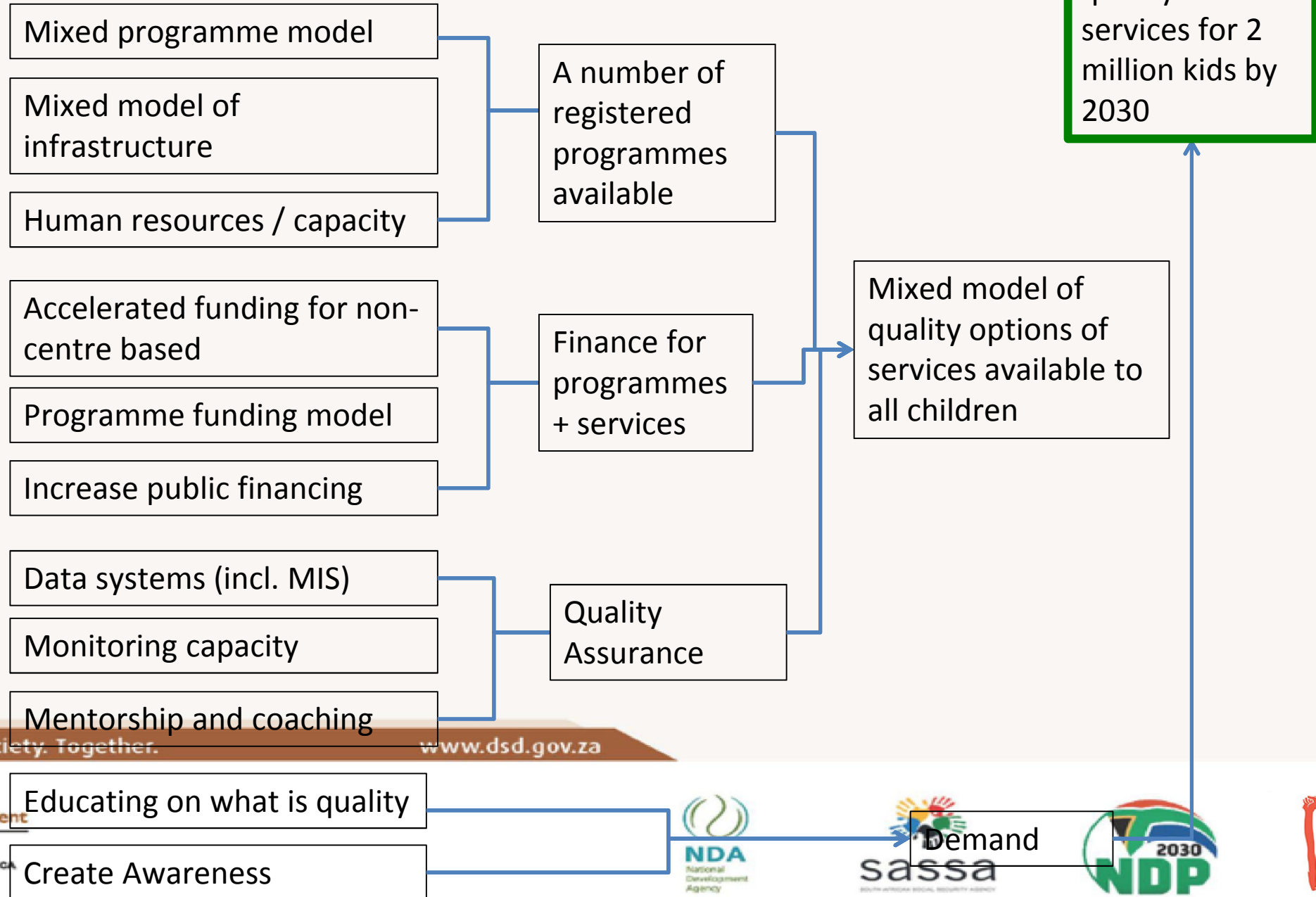
South African Inter-Sectoral Forum for Early Childhood Development

National Training and Curriculum Sub-committee  
Policy and Legislation Sub-committee  
Infrastructure and Registration Sub-Committee  
Monitoring and Evaluation sub-committee  
Communication and Advocacy Sub-committee  
ECD Donor Sub-committee

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# Our Theory of Change





# Defining mixed delivery model

	Centre-based	Non-centre-based				
Modality	Centre	Home visiting	Child minders	Playgroups	Toy libraries	Mobile ECD
Dosage	20+ hours per week. In practice, often daily for the full day	Once a month	20+ hours per week. In practice, often daily for the full day	Two 3-hour sessions per week	Based on demand	Two 3-hour sessions per week
Cooked meals	Yes	Uncooked snack	Yes	Uncooked snack		Uncooked snack
# children	More than 6	One (or more if there are siblings in the same home)	6 or fewer	Average 10 per group	N/A	Average 15 per group

- Both centre-based and child minding modalities provide daily full-day programmes
- Toy libraries are not included in the strategy

# Challenges

Funding



Social mobilisation,  
advocacy + lobbying

Not enough partners to  
achieve scale



Consider alternative delivery  
mechanisms + build new  
orgs

Not enough capacity and  
capabilities



PPPs; optimising existing HR;  
HR re-engineering

Data not credible



Cross validation with  
existing systems

# Thank you!!!

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