

International Alternative Care Conference

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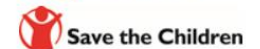


Establishing a Foster Care Program in Cambodia Rebecca Nhep

Hosts



Partners



Range of CIF Programs

- **Family-based care services**
 - Kinship care
 - Long-term foster care
 - Short-term foster care
 - Emergency foster care
 - Respite foster care
 - Specialised foster care

Range of CIF Programs

- **Support services**
 - ABLE- community-based disability support program
 - Family Strengthening
 - Outreach Program-transitioning institutions

Foster Care Cluster Model

- New cluster is established once:
 - Community assessment has been conducted
 - Support of local authorities secured
 - Community presentation conducted
 - Minimum of 3-4 foster families have been approved.

Foster Care Cluster Model

- Families clustered in groups of 10 called 'communities of care'.
- Clusters meet monthly.
- Training conducted at cluster meetings.
- Clusters improve informal social support and problem solving.

Fast Facts

- 294 children in foster and kinship care
- 30 children with disabilities in foster care
- Age of children ranges from 0-15 years old
- 1 placement breakdown (medical reasons)

Fast Facts

- 1 child referred to therapeutic residential care
- Average of 1.4 children per family
- Average cost of kinship care is US\$24 per month
- Average cost of foster care is US\$51 per month

Fast Facts

- Foster care and kinship care placements monitored minimum 1 x per month.
- Emergency foster care placements monitored 3 x per month.
- Training provided to caregivers 3 x per year
- Bilingual digital case management system developed in 2016