Care Reform in Armenia: Timeline of System Achievements

Armenia Core Country Team





First state strategy for social protection of children in adversity established 2004-2015

Three-tiered child protection (CP) system established

Law on education of children with special education needs (SEN) created

The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child

Adoptions regulated

- 16 special schools closed:
- 7 transformed to night care centers and 3 changed to SEN assessment centers
- 1,000 children unified with families



Children in adversity are under

Admission to institutions regulated

Motherhood and child health protected Support provided to orphanage graduates Number of Inclusive Schools, 2000–2017

2010 2015 2017 All children can study at mainstream schools Amendments to law related to mainstream education mean all children can study at mainstream schools.

PHASE PHASE Number of Children in State-Run Institutions 2005 2007 2008 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 **Deinstitutionalization** Half of residential institutions should be transformed into community-based services by **2019**.

1991-2004

2005-2010

2011

2012

state protection

2013

2014 2015 2016

2017–2021

Phases 1 and 2

Department established at the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs to regulate care reform

New legislation framework adopted

Concept of special education needs

Inclusive education program piloted

The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child ratified

Inclusive education

Children with disabilities study at mainstream schools.

Additional state funding provided for SEN

New specialists placed at schools and within



Community social workers

National Strategy on CP adopted for 2013-

18 Integrated social services centers were founded



Quality services for children

New law on social assistance created

Widespread trainings of regional staff



All children should live in a family environment.

National strategy on CP for **2017**– **202**1 adopted









mechanisms



Finance













