

**Module Title: Child Welfare and Protection**

**Module Code: ECCE-M3061**

**Module ECTS: 30**

**Course Title: Alternative Child Care**

**Course Code: ECCE 2065**

**Course ECTS: 3**

**Course Description**

The course provides students with basic understanding of historical roots and various perspectives on child rights, care and protection, global and local child right issues, social care and protection services for children and challenges associated with child care policy and practices. It addresses such topics as child rights and public policy, alternative child care and protection, domestic violence, child abuse and neglect and designing and implementing child-sensitive policies.

**Course Objective:**

At the end of the course students will be able to:

- Develop knowledge regarding the nature and concepts of alternative child care and protection
- Understand minimum conditions on the delivery of alternative childcare services in the country, so that organizations can adopt and apply them in the context of the objective reality of their regions;
- To develop sound child-oriented operational frameworks in accordance with the rights-based approach both at institutional and community levels, so that all children will be ensured of the necessary protection;
- Facilitate and provide the provision of quality and effective care and support to vulnerable, based on the principles that they ensure the best interests of the child;
- Appreciate participatory approach of dealing with the care and support of children who needs alternative care.

## **CHAPTER ONE**

- 1.1 Concepts and Nature of Alternative Child Care
- 1.2 Rational for revising the guideline
- 1.3 The State of Alternative Childcare Services
- 1.4 Objectives of the Guideline
- 1.5 Guideline Principles
- 1.6 Definition of Terms

## **CHAPTER TWO**

- 2.1 Preventing the need for alternative care
  - 2.1.1 Promoting parental care
  - 2.1.2 Preventing family separation
  - 2.1.3 Promoting family reintegration
- 2.2 Alternative Childcare Guidelines
- 2.3 Types Alternative Childcare
  - 2.3.1 Guideline on Community-Based Childcare
  - 2.3.2 Guideline on Reunification and Reintegration Program
  - 2.3.3 Guideline on Foster Care
  - 2.3.4 Guideline on Adoption
  - 2.3.5 Guideline on Institutional Care

## **CHAPTER THREE**

- 3.1 Alternative Care in Emergency Situations
- 3.2 Application of the Guidelines

## **CHAPTER FOUR**

- 4.1 Establishment, Code of Ethics And Monitoring and Evaluation
- 4.2 Establishment and Licensing of Childcare Organizations
- 4.3 Registration Procedures
- 4.4 Code of Ethics
- 4.5 Accountability
- 4.6 Monitoring and Evaluation Systems
- 4.7 Application of the Guidelines

<b>Mode of delivery/teaching-learning methods: gapped lecture, discussion, micro-teaching, case-study presentation etc.</b>				
<b>Assessment methods</b>	<b>Assessment Type</b>	<b>Topics</b>	<b>Schedule</b>	<b>Weight</b>
<b>continuous assessment (60%) and final exam. (40%)</b>	<b>Quiz-1</b>	Definition of Guidance Counseling, and therapy Types, Approaches and Subfields of counseling		<b>10%</b>
	<b>Tests</b>			30%
	<b>Assignments</b>			15%
	<b>Final Exam.</b>	From all topics listed above		40%
	<b>TOTAL</b>			

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