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Psychosocial Mainstreaming Strategy for Malawi

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Be party to the realizations of the psychological wellbeing of children: A psychosocial mainstreaming strategy has been developed through the Linking and Learning Project. The Strategy lays out the various elements through which Psychosocial support can be mainstreamed.

Why Mainstream PSS?: The Strategy clearly highlights why PSS should be mainstreamed in various Policies, Practices and Programs of Organizations.

What is PSS mainstreaming: The strategy defines PSS mainstreaming in the context of child centred programme interventions and relates itself to the Malawian context.

What aspects of Programming would PSS be mainstreamed? The PSS mainstreaming strategy clearly stipulates key programme areas into which PSS may be mainstreamed in order to enable the child attain psychological wellbeing.

Some of the areas in which PSS can be mainstreamed include:

- Mainstreaming PSS in families, households and communities.
- Mainstreaming PSS within Paediatric HIV and AIDS care and treatment.
- Mainstreaming PSS within the economic strengthening programs.
- Mainstreaming PSS within early childhood development programmes.
- Mainstreaming PSS care and support within food and nutrition programmes.
- Mainstreaming PSS care and support within the education sector.
- Mainstreaming PSS care and support within Home based care programmes.
- Mainstreaming PSS care and support through child participation
- Mainstreaming PSS care and support in emergency and conflict setting.

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