France - Child Guarantee National Action Plan Overview

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This overview presents highlights extracted from the National Action Plan (NAP) from France published on 12/04/2022. It is not exhaustive nor does it evaluate the NAP and uses the same terms as those in the NAP. It is intended to summarise key elements & to signpost stakeholders to other relevant analyses.

**Children in need**

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<td>Children below the poverty line</td>
<td>20.2% (3 million approx.)</td>
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<td>Children in poverty living in unemployed single parent households</td>
<td>78.5 %</td>
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<td>Homeless minors or minors in a situation of severe housing hardship</td>
<td>30% of homeless in shelters are children</td>
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<td>Children with disabilities</td>
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<td>Children with a migrant background</td>
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<td>Children with mental health problems (prior to pandemic)</td>
<td>Prevalence of mental disorders among children aged 6-11 is around 12.8%</td>
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<td>Children in alternative care</td>
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<td>Roma children</td>
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**Planned key services and actions**

- The Pact for Children focused on the first 1,000 days of a child’s life. Make care by a maternal assistant more financially accessible.
- Create a national observatory on non-schooling
- Reduce child poverty by improving access to employment and developing childcare support.
- Reinforce access to school for all vulnerable children.
- Ban placement of children in hotels and increase controls in institutional and foster care to avoid cases of violence.
- Prioritize the mental health of children
- Better school follow-up and better access to health for children in care.
- Expansion of care services to the age of 21.
- Achieve the goal of zero street children by 2030.

**Stakeholder Engagement**

- The NAP has been prepared in consultation with the HCFEA* involving 12 children.
- It is designed to include continuous feedback through studies and evaluations to adapt the plan during its duration.
- A territorial implementation will allow for the integration of local partners.

**Designated Funding**

No specific funding dedicated to the implementation of the NAP is mentioned.

European funds allocated will come from ESF+.

**Monitoring and Evaluation Framework**

- Close monitoring of the amount of children in need based upon EU indicators, i.e. AROPE.
- Additional relevant national indicators will also need to be developed as the Child Guarantee plan is implemented.

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**Eurochild resources**

- [First Years First Priority country Report](#)
- [Data Care Country Overview](#)

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