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**Name of Provision**: Original name of main institutional arrangements providing early childhood education and care within the country;

**Type of Arrangement**: Basic nomenclature of early childhood education and care services;

**Ages Served**: <3 years = 0 to 35 months old; (2,6)3-<7 years = (30)36 to 83 months old; 6 years = 72 to 84 months old;

**Sector of Provision**: According to the provider of care, PB when = the government (local/regional or national/federal); 1/2 PR when = the non profit private sector; PR when = the for profit private sector;

**Opening Hours**: Regular (average) opening hours of the arrangement during the year: a) within a day = number of hours (h) covered during the day; b) within a week = number of days (d) covered during the week; c) within a year = number of weeks (w) covered during the year;

**Registration Criteria**: Terms defining the families/children who are entitled to register in that type of arrangement;

UNIV = there are no criteria restricting the admission;

**Priority Criteria**: Terms defining the families/children who are entitled to register in priority in that type of arrangement;

GEOG = home location; WRK = working parent(s); SP = special needs of the child or family; NO = no priority criteria of access to registration;

**Additional Notes**: (α) Entitlement to 5 hours per day; (β) Vary locally according to the perceived needs of the parents; (γ) Due to a shortage of places, priority criteria are usually applied.

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