



Paper for Discussion: Lancet Child Development Series

Agenda Item: 4

Please find attached a series of papers on Child Development published in the Lancet. The papers mainly cover child development issues for developing countries and identify specific nutritional problems and the likely effective interventions to address them. The three papers in the series are as follows:

1. Child development in developing countries 1 - Developmental potential in the first 5 years for children in developing countries
2. Child development in developing countries 2 – Child development: risk factors for adverse outcomes in developing countries
3. Child development in developing countries 3 – Strategies to avoid the loss of developmental potential in more than 200 million children in the developing world

Members are requested to comment on the relevance of the issues raised to the UK population, particularly in light of the current ethnic diversity in the UK.