

A BETTER FUTURE IS POSSIBLE

Improving the lives
of children with
disabilities living
in institutions

Enhancing alternative
care opportunities
through advocacy
and developing the
capacity of dedicated
professionals.

International Social Service (ISS) and our project partner, SPOON, are currently implementing projects supporting children with disabilities in Cambodia, Vietnam and Mauritius.

We are keen to scale our model, and impact, to countries around the globe.



OUR BELIEF

'Based on International Social Service's (ISS) long-standing experience visiting institutions and orphanages worldwide, we are convinced that numerous children with disabilities cared for in institutions could also get a chance to live in a family environment combining efforts from professionals and officials at different levels and through targeted training and support'
- ISS

'We are building a world where children living without permanent families and those with disabilities are seen, nourished, and given a chance to thrive'
- SPOON



Partner with us
to ensure this vital
work can continue

Our Impact

- Using innovative tools such as a manual for professionals and Child LifeBook, we build the capacity of carers and improve the daily care of children with disabilities in institutions
- Using tools specifically designed to accommodate the unique nutrition and feeding needs of children impacted by disability and / or institutional care, we have reduced malnutrition in institutions where we have seen **malnutrition rates as high as 93%**.



Child LifeBook

Our Model

- Using a Training of Trainers (ToT) approach, ISS and SPOON train local Master Trainers who in turn train staff caring directly for children with disabilities (i.e., managers, carers, social workers, medical staff).
- The training develops the capacity of staff in institutions to learn and implement social work activities (a Child's File, Child LifeBook, assessments and case plans) as well as improved nutrition and feeding practices, including the implementation of Count Me In, an app that assess the child's growth, anemia, and feeding and offers individualized recommendations.
- Trainers and staff are provided with tools such as a Manual for Professionals, a Child Lifebook, training videos, and tools to assess, treat, and mitigate nutrition and feeding challenges and track children's growth.


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