Contacts: Ms Ruth Pooe (Director Care and Support Directorate); Dr Joannah de Beer Tel: 012 312 7832 Fax: 012 312 7763 / 086 510 3703 Email: RuthP@dsd.gov.za; johannadb@socdev.gov.za Summary NACCA is a permanent co-ordinating structure of government departments, civil society, business and development agencies, led by the Department of Social Development. Coordination of the effort and expertise of many government departments and development agencies together with civil society is needed to reach all orphans and vulnerable children (OVC) and will ensure that resources available are used optimally to realise the rights of OVC and avoid duplication of efforts. NACCA's mandate under the 2005 Policy Framework for Orphans and Other Children Made Vulnerable by casino netherlands HIV and AIDS is to: Facilitate and coordinate mechanisms at national, provincial, district and community levels in order to alleviate the impact of HIV and AIDS on the lives of children NACCA's specific objectives are to: Promote coordination between all stakeholders at all levels - government, civil society, private sector and labour - to effect action to realise the rights of OVC Share information with regard to issues and programmes for orphans and affected children Promote collaboration between stakeholders to improve services and programmes for orphans and children made vulnerable by HIV and AIDS Ensure ethical research is conducted into relevant issues and that the findings of research inform action to improve the circumstances of orphans and other children made vulnerable by HIV and AIDS Advocate, together with relevant stakeholders, to ensure that action to secure the rights of OVC remains a priority Mobilise and disburse resources for the implementation of the Policy Framework for Orphans and Other Children Made vulnerable by HIV and AIDS Please click here to download the Policy Framework document. NACCA and UNICEF also worked on a research project identifying all community care forums throughout South Africa that support vulnerable children. For more information contact the Department of Social Development.