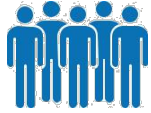




MHPSS TWG - Bulgaria

Meeting Minutes



Members

WHO, UNHCR, CRWB, Energy, Foundation Ukraine Support and Renovation, UNICEF, IOM, Animus, Bulgarian Association of Social Workers, For Our Children Foundation, Open Doors Situation center

1. Up-dates from members

- UNICEF – They are finalizing a needs assessment targeted at children and adolescents 10-24 years old. The results will be ready in September and subsequently shared with the group.

Short presentations from the new members

- Bulgarian Association of Social Workers – presented their project “Empowerment start here”, which includes a Green Line for front line workers for PSS and a web platform for MHPSS with general access and a section with restricted access for professionals to receive information. The project has just started.
- For Our Children Foundation – An organization with a long history in providing social services to children has started a project “Mission Ukraine” in two locations Sofia and Plovdiv and is providing MHPSS to children and other services in the area of ECD.
- Animus Foundation – Leading NGO in the area of GBV with 100 MH professionals, they operate residential services for victims of domestic and GBV. They have translated their chat-bot in Ukrainian and are in the first phase of creating a safe space for Ukrainian refugees with MHPSS available. They suggested to hold a separate meeting with colleagues from the TWG, who offer similar services as to coordinate and support each other.

2. Finalizing the Plan of Action of the TWG for 2023

Taking the discussions lead by Andrea forward we decided to include the following activities in the plan for the rest of year:

- PM+ training
- Translation of the MHPSS Minimal Service Package – Elena (Unicef) suggested to add an orientation, possibly on-line, after we disseminate the document, so we could offer some additional support in understanding and using the package.
- Up-date the Service mapping

2. Multi-Sector Needs Assessment 2023

The trainings of the enumerators are going to find place next week in Sofia and Burgas. Bulgarian Association of Social Workers will support the trainings with a 30 min session of MHPSS. Members can suggest locations for the assessment to Hayoung.

3. AoB

- Animus are starting PSEA training from the autumn for 100 people.
- USRF gave feedback from very successful First Aid training delivered by Bulgarian Red Cross and suggested that more are needed and could be included in the plan. To be further discussed with BRC as they were not present at the meeting.
- BASW suggested a to reach out to a potential new member Mission Wings from Stara Zagora.

Next Steps:

- Members to send to chair information they like circulated to all members – information on the Green Line, trainings and other activities they would like to share with their colleagues.
- Chair will finalize Plan of Action and share with the group.
- Chair to discuss with BRC if additional FA training could be included in the PoA of the TWG.



Updates & Achievements



Action Points