National Health Coordination Meeting

Date: Thursday 1st October 2015 **Venue:** WHO Office-Amman

Time: 10:00 – 12:00

Agenda:

1.	Introductions
2.	Review of action points of previous meeting
3.	Ministry of Health Update - MoH
4.	Situation update (new arrivals, urban verification process)—UNHCR
5.	Jordan Response Plan 2016-2018 and 3RP process Update (MoH, WHO, UNHCR)
6.	Health Sector 4 Ws process Update
7.	Health Agency Updates
8.	Subsector working groups - RH (UNFPA), Mental Health (IMC/WHO), Nutrition (Save the Children Jordan/UNICEF)
9.	Task Force Updates: Community Health Task Force (Medair)/ NCD Task Force (WHO/MoH)
10.	Proposed Assessments/Research
11.	AOB

Minutes:

2. Review of action points of previous meeting

- 1. UNHCR: share Health Survey Utilization PowerPoint. Shared
- 2. **UNHCR**: share Medical Resettlement , health sector meeting PowerPoint : **Shared**
- 3. **IRD**: share Health Support for Iraqi and Syrian Refugees (HSISR) Project, Beneficiary Exit Interview Analysis Report. **Shared**
- 4. **Nutrition**: Share Breastfeeding Checklist. **Shared**
- 5. **UNFPA:** share the assessment of 18 PHC centres. **Pending**
- 6. UNICEF: share the check list for prioritisation at the border. Pending
- 7. UNICEF: present planned micro-nutrient assessment. On hold due to funding issues

UNFPA: share recommended interventions for improving maternal and new-born health. Available at WHO website http://www.who.int/maternal_child_adolescent/documents/who_mps_0705/en/

3. Ministry of Health Update – MoH

- Assessment proposed by USAID on MCH, Family Planning and NCD service provision at primary health care level, steering committee under creation to review tools and protocol.
- MOH has done assessment on impact of Syrian refugees on health sector before and after cabinet decision and shared with IHCO

Action Point

• MOH to share this assessment finding after obtaining Minister's approval.

4. Situation update (new arrivals, urban verification process)-UNHCR

Iraqi refugees:

- New arrivals (up to the third week of September 2015) are 395
- 8 Iraqis accessed Jordan for medical services
- In 2015 total Iraqi registered is 7,108
- UNHCR total Iraqi registered in database is 50,638

Syrian Refugees

- Total registered are 628,619
- 27,584 newly registered in 2015
- 19.100 arrived in 2015

Situation on the borders (1-21 September):

- 1,388 refugees transferred from borders to Rabaa Sarhan
- 2,564 refugees returned back to Syria
- 2,970 Still waiting in Rukban
- 470 still waiting in Hadalat

Note:

UNHCR, UNICEF and ICRC agreed to work together to improve health services on eastern borders including advocacy on medical cases access and evacuation. Action plan includes training to RMS staff (all), regularize and increase medical staff presence in the assembly points and berm (ICRC and UNHCR), awareness raising for refugees on borders and NML (ICRC and UNICEF) and provide ambulance to be stationed in Rukban to support medical evacuation capacities (UNHCR)

Mol: has agreed to allow refugees to use their UNHCR Asylum Seekers Certificates as proof of residency when applying for the MOI card, thereby facilitating access for those refugees who are unable to bring their landlord to the police station or provide a certified lease agreement.

Health Performance Survey Result:

	 Total respondents are 123, out of them: 69 % respondents from INGOs; 18 % UN agencies; 10 % national NGOs; 10 organization responded from health working group 		
	- 4 respondents from mental health; 1 respondent from nutrition 1 respondent from reproductive health		
	Urban Verification:		
	 Up to 17 Sep 2015, 181,947 refugees been verified and registered with MOI (35% of total urban refugees) Still no update on the health certificate 		
	JRP Update:		
	 According to MoPIC the JRP is on track and will be launched first week of October. 		
	 Project Summary sheets have been finalized and submitted to MoPIC. 17 appealed to JRP under refugees' components including UN agencies, INGOs, NGOs. 		
	- Total budget appeals to JRP as of latest submission are; 72,7 million for 2016, 74 million for 2017 and 76.79 million for 2018		
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5. Jordan Response Plan 2016-2018 and 3RP process Update (MoH, WHO, UNHCR)

- JRP appeal has been submitted to MoPIC for 72 million for refugee health component
- Justification mentioned to MoPIC why the appeal for the 2016 is increased nearly 20 million more in comparison with appeal for 2015. This is for a number of reasons but mainly due to the loss of access to free medical services in the urban setting for half a million refugees.
- 3RP for Jordan is going to be the JRP.
- Narrative chapter from JRP is going to be in the 3RP.
- We need the appeals (17 agencies) required to put their appeals in activity info (database to monitor, and report)
- There is a training next week (4,5 Oct.15) for activity info. Those agencies have received the invitation
- You will be asked to input your information in the system.
- We are going to circulate what you submitted to JRP to each of the agencies and but same info for activity info.
- We are going to circulate 3RP 2016 health data sheet format
- In JRP we didn't break the activities by governorate level but in the training of activity info you will be asked to break the activities per governorate level, as well as when we will enter the data in the activity info ,when the system closed we will review and will get back to you.
- Budget cannot be different from what you have submitted for JRP
- For those agencies which are going to appeal under the resilience components , activity info also opening up to enter the information into the system
- More details about description of activities is required. You need to fill the target group (you can estimate by women, men, boy and girl)

Action	UNHCR will circulate excel sheet of JRP 2016 health data format for each agency who have submitted
Action	• Officer will directiate excel sheet of the 2010 health data format for each agency who have submitted
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6. Health Se	ctor 4 Ws process Update
	We planned to discuss it on this meeting but we decided to postpone until 3RP process ends then email with guide will be circulated within the sector to initiate process.
Action Point	Pending 3RP completion

7. Health Agency Updates

QRC:

Still waiting for fund transfer from Qatar. There are about 108 cases of renal failure covered through renal failure program, the cost of treatment is about 1,500 \$/ month/patient. QRC will continue funding this program for next 6 months, war wounded will restart again for eye and maxillofacial injuries once budget received.

Note:

18 cases of renal failure in Zaatari camp but are being supported by UNHCR

UNFPA:

- Planning of running the hospital in Azraq camp at the end of this month, delivery services will be done by UNFPA incorporation with IMC.

MEDAIR:

- Cash for Health Programme will start on 1st November 2015 in Mafraq, Zarqa and East Amman. Targeting pregnant women who will not be able to pay for health services, the pregnant women will access antenatal care in MoH clinics, as well as delivery at MoH facilities. Community Health Volunteers are the first entry point for the pregnant women. The health workers will collect and verify the data, home visits will be conducted to assess vulnerability. Will use the VAF criteria.

UNICEF:

- EPI routine service is ongoing.
- The data is not officially circulated, but UNICEF has data for July and August, which is 300-400 pregnant women have been reach and about 2,300 children have been reached as part of REC campaign in high risk areas.
- In partnership with CDC,WHO and MoH working on provision of routine immunization, this will be able to identify which area/ governorate is not covered
- Contract signed on routine EPI survey coverage; data collection will start soon

WHO:

- Joint vaccination evaluation for Polio, the report will be presented to MoH and after that it can be circulated.

 One key findings is that there has been an improvement in AFP surveillance
- MERS Coronavirus virus is under control

	USAID
	 Construction started on 7 million USD expansion to Princess Rahma Hospital on Irbid; there will be a 35% increase; this is the main pediatric referral facility in the North
	MoH:
	 Received proposal for assessment by USAID to assess provision of health facilities and are focusing on Family Planning, child health and NCD.
	 When the assessment team comes MoH will call for meeting; other agencies can be part of the steering committee
	 Study to compare the cost of health services when the access was free and now (PPP)
	MOPIC approvals
	 Overall there is significant improvement in the project approvals timing since the electronic process was introduced; however still some delays. One agency reported they submitted in march and have just received approval now
Action	MEDAIR: Share the information via email on their CASH for health project
Points	MoH share the on comparison between access before and after free services were removed

8. Subsector working groups - RH (UNFPA), Mental Health (IMC/WHO), Nutrition (Save the Children Jordan/UNICEF)

UNFPA-RH:

- Small TF created focus on improvement of men and boys sexual health, as well as discussed and planed GBV in RH context for next year.

MoH will discuss with MoPIC the time taken re project approval to see if any more guidance can be provided

Nutrition:

- Treatment of malnutrition for MAM and SAM is being available, Plump Nut for SAM and Plump Sup for MUM cases, ICRC and UNHCR support on providing Plump Nut for one year and Plumb Sup for Six month.
- We did adhoc meeting and discussed the nutrition issues as children and families are suffering on borders before entering.
- 45 Doctors and nurses were trained on management of malnutrition cases.
- Jordan University students trained on how to do measurement of screening and inpatient care, discussing is ongoing about how to make it.

UNFPA upcoming trainings:

- 4-8 Oct.15 training on clinical management
- 11-12.Oct.15 RH and GBV training and will be held in Ar-Ramatha, this mainly for CBOs
- 16-20 Oct.15.RH protocol and will be in Zarqa

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9. Task Force Updates: Community Health Task Force (Medair)/ NCD Task Force (WHO/MoH) **Community Health:** ToT 'Home Visits in the Antenatal and Postnatal Period with a Focus on the Care of the New-born' was held 13 – 17 September. We had 30 participants and got 28 evaluation forms back. Overall very positive feedback. An evaluation meeting with the facilitators from IFRC, IRC, Medair, UNFPA and Save the Children was held. Overall very positive feedback. Pre and post-test showed good increase of knowledge. In the next CH task force meeting on 14th October to discuss on follow up and report back on how many pregnant women and their new-borns have been followed, how to move forward, which organisations are able to train the CHVs etc. Material has been shared with all participants – a lot of them have mentioned they plan to train their own RC and Medair are both willing and able to assist agencies who want to do more training on this topic. NCD: UNHCR supported training of trainers courses for doctors and nurses, a five days training took place in for doctors middle of September. There were 16 doctors trained including six of them from MoH. The training focused on main NCDs e.g. hypertension, diabetes, asthma, etc. Waiting for report of NCD assessment from the consultants; one the recommendation is to do active screening for diabetes; we could start to do within PHC services. (Random blood sugar test/year), as well as screening for hypertension. Action UNHCR will share main outcomes of NCD assessment **Points**

10. Proposed Assessments/Research UNICEF: Health economics related study focusing on expenditure (waiting draft to be completed); conduct economic analyses in the health sector: to assess impact of out-of-pocket expenditures on inequity in use of primary and secondary health care services by children and adolescents (0-18) Last week, consultant company was identified, so we are in process of signing the contract and start the study, most likely from November for 4months. Micro-nutrients assessment not done as no funds identified yet. Action UNICEF: can share planned health economics study with individual agencies if they request

11. AOB	
	- Activity info training, will be on 4-5 Oct.15, two session per day in both Arabic and English
Action Points	• NA
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