

MINUTES OF NATIONAL HEALTH AND NUTRITION WG, ATHENS 13/09/2016

PARTICIPANTS : IFRC, MSF BELGIUM, MSF SWISS, IMC, UNHCR, KEELPNO, MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, MDM GREECE, MDM BELGIUM, SAVE THE CHILDREN, PRAKSIS, UNFPA, HRC, WAHA, UNICEF

VENUE: HELLENIC RED CROSS

CHAIR: UNHCR

AGENDA

- KEELPNO shared the vaccination plan which includes varicella vaccine for children attending public school in Greece. The plan of inclusion of PoC children in the Greek public school was shared by the MoE. The whole activity of enrolling the children in the public school will be discussed in a specific WG.
- The plan for the conclusion of the vaccination campaign will cover the camps in the North where the vaccination campaign was not implemented in July (15 camps)
- The issue of implementing Routine Vaccinations for the second round of immunization in the camps was brought onto the table of discussion. A brief document was distributed where NGOs manifested their availability and support to the Government in the implementation of this activity.
- KEELPNO shared with the meeting the distribution plan of Malaria Rapid Tests for suspect cases in the camps.
- The issue of shortage of medicines was discussed, including ECHO's flexibility in their list of medications (which now includes secondary health care drugs). A request for confirmation of this point was brought up by the ECHO funded NGOs.
- Transport of patients for secondary health care to and from hospitals was discussed: some camps are far from bus stops and PoCs face difficulties in reaching the hospital.
- A joint document on child nutrition, presented by the meeting to the Government a few months ago, received feed-back with a few amendments from the MoH.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 27th September at 14:00 pm at the HRC office