

## Health and Nutrition Coordination Meeting.

**Date and time:** 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018, 14:30 – 17:10.

**Venue:** UNHCR Conference Room.

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### Agenda items:

- Review of action points from last meeting
- Feedback Technical Committee workshop Basic Social Service pledge
- Review of indicators and narrative for Refugee Response Plan 2018.
- Country Operations Plan 2019
- Feedback on joint qualitative nutrition assessment Afar
- Brief updates by partners
- AOB

### Participants:

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Title of discussion	Discussions	Recommendation for action	Responsible
<b>Review of action points from last meeting</b>	<p>The Annual Review Workshop minutes and action plan was endorsed.</p> <p>Partners were requested to join the implementation plan for the action points at meetings coordinated by ARRA at filed level.</p>	<p>Circulate the minutes and action plan to the field for feedback.</p> <p>Call regular meeting for implementation plan of the action</p>	<p>UNHCR</p> <p>ARRA</p>
<b>Standard operating Procedure (SOP) for Community Outreach Programme</b>	<p>ARRA and UNHCR will coordinate field level discussion with partners to start role out of the SOP. AAH expressed readiness to start the implementation by integrating the nutrition component ARRA will invite partners to join the meeting for the role out plan. The schedule for the roll-out will be discussed at the field and the discussion will consist of priority areas for roll-out. A phased approach will be used for Implementation to allow complex camps to move stepwise.</p> <p>For the actual implementation of the SOP, it is discussed that the partners will contribute to the expertise for the training based on their domains of expertise.</p> <p>It is suggested to review the reporting tools which is not well harmonized through a small working group.</p>	<p>Meetings in each zone to be conducted during the next month to develop action plan</p> <p>Coordinate small group meeting to finalise reporting tools</p>	<p>ARRA</p> <p>UNHCR</p>
<b>Delivery mechanism for the RUTF to refugee camps</b>	<p>Discussion is currently going on how to deliver RUTF from the Regional Health Bureaus to the refugee camps health facilities. The first meeting was undertaken at the Federal MOH. It was suggested that the delivery mechanism be included in the MOU, including that of EPI items</p>		

<p><b>CRRF</b></p>	<p>A technical level committee (TC) for the implementation of the Basic And Social Service Pledge was held on the implementation of CRRF in Ethiopia. The objective was to have the update on the status of CRRF, establishing common understanding, identify existing coordination mechanisms and the best way to coordinate the TC and develop recommendations for the TC ToR. During the meeting technical committee meeting CRRF documents and TOR were reviewed and inputs were developed for the steering committee meeting.</p>		
<p>Review of indicators and narrative for Refugee Response Plan 2018.</p>	<p>While Refugee Response Plan (RRP) exists for countries affected by Influx of South Sudan, document targeting the overall Ethiopia operation does not yet exist. In addition, donors would like to understand the funding requirements of the partners by population group and have a comprehensive view of the needs of the refugee operation. A RRP will be developed for the different population groups</p> <p>As indicators show the quality response to the programme, the indicators selected at the filed were presented and the participants of the meeting were requested to provide their recommendation.</p> <p>Indicators suggested for inclusion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Infant Mortality Rate to align with SDG</li> <li>• Wt/Age to assess stunting</li> <li>• Coverage indicators</li> <li>• Cure rate for assessing nutrition programme performance indicator.</li> <li>• TB indicators (# new cases, # of MDR TB, Prevalence of</li> </ul>	<p><b>Incorporate the recommended indicators</b></p>	<p><b>UNHCR</b></p>
<p><b>Country Operation Plan (COP)</b></p>	<p>The annual COP planning meeting will be on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018 and invitation will be sent to partners. The meeting in Addis Ababa will be followed by a COP exercise in the regions. The COP will show strategic direction with focus on CRRF</p>		

<p><b>Feedback on joint qualitative nutrition assessment Afar</b></p>	<p>Joint assessment was carried out in Afar refugee camps to understand the reasons of persistently high acute malnutrition rate. Underlying causes identified were. But it is stressed that it is important to identify which one have significant bearing as underlying cause.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Absence of other livelihood opportunities compared with other camps.</li> <li>• Loss resulting from exchange with other food and debt paying of borrowed food.</li> <li>• Ration spent for buying other food and non-food commodities like soap and vegetables.</li> <li>• Misconception that milk is superior to Plumpynut.</li> <li>• Absence of adequate household fuel resulting in significant time spent on searching collecting fire-wood.</li> <li>• Poor maternal time and infant and child-caring practices.</li> <li>• Low frequency of feeding of a child, usually 1 – 2 times per day.</li> <li>• Inadequate water storage capacity.</li> <li>• Low proportion of exclusive breast feeding</li> <li>• High payment for transportation of food items, 100 birr for donkey transport.</li> <li>• Low staff capacity: Low ratio of COA, training of CMAM, IYCFP</li> <li>• High incidence of diarrhoea.</li> <li>• Inadequate distribution of soap</li> </ul>		
<p><b>Partners update</b></p>	<p>Goal submitted consortium application to improve shelter and other sectors in Afar.</p> <p>Maternity Foundation conducted training for health staff in Basic Emergency Obstetrics Care in Gambella, using the Safe Delivery App.</p> <p>Concern is undertaking documentation of success stories on backyard gardening and sack gardening (where there is shortage of water) which could be shared with partners.</p>		

	<p>WFP updated on pipe-line situation. Shortage is expected on General food distribution with further ration cuts while supplies for nutrition programme will be adequate for the next 3 – 4 months. WFP will take measure after exhausting all options and communicate with ARRA and UNHCR.</p> <p>WFP emphasises the need for avoiding loss of food due to expiration and improper storage.</p> <p>UNHCR in collaboration with AAH will undertake Response Analyses Workshop in Gambella on 14 and 15 March 2018.</p> <p>UNHCR will undertake Joint SENS in Melkadida on the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of March, 2018</p>		
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