



**Minutes of the Romania MHPSS sWG  
May 13<sup>h</sup> , 2022**

<b>Participants</b>	WHO, UNICEF, ACF, MDM, Plan International, Save the Children, IFRC	
<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>Summary of discussions</b>	<b>Action points</b>
<b>Welcome and action points</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Action points from previous meeting were reviewed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- N/A</li> </ul>
<b>Emergency Response Plan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Needs Assessment:</b> Finalizing the Needs-Assessment Form for the Romanian first responders in order to develop targeted trainings, working groups, webinars and curricula for the first responders, including translators.</li> <li>- <b>Save The Children – Esperanza-</b> talked about the Rapid Assessment for the Ukrainian Response for Romania and Poland. They also started recruitment process for mental health specialists in Baia Mare, Suceava, Iasi, Bucharest and deliver training for people working in the DGASPC in Maramures currently continuing to</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Confirmation on the Questionnaire /MoH</li> <li>- The Save the Children Needs Assessment will be made available on drive / Co-Chairs</li> <li>- WHO Read proof the IASC guide to finalize the terminology/ Ioana-Sorana</li> </ul>

	<p>extend the cities where they will deliver trainings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>WHO- Ioana Novac</b> finished the revision of the first IASC guide that will be available in the next 2 weeks</li> <li>- <b>Oxfam- Fioana</b> – mentioned the need for training of the first responders, the translators and other people working with refugees.</li> <li>- <b>MHPSS Service Providers:</b> Sorana Mocanu WHO presented the LENA WHO APP that has a chapter on Psychological First Aid that is easy to access and doesn't need further training and is functional and can be used in Romanian and English.</li> <li>- <b>ACF- Nicolas GRILLET-</b> mentioned the signing an agreement with other bodies in Iasi and starting a training with specialists for MHPSS services designated to practitioners working in the friendly spaces and focusing on PFA.</li> </ul> <p><b>UNICEF-</b> raised the awareness for a referral mechanism, that should be functional for the MHPSS Services, there were suggestions made (WHO) to develop a leaflet with the available MHPSS Services that are covered by NGO's in particular, due to the lack of legislation and coverage by the National Insurance House of the Psychological Services. Also, UNICEF partnership with Facebook on Mental Health is an important tool that can be used like in Covid crises. The campaign will start on 20<sup>th</sup> of May and will end on the 20<sup>th</sup> of June with two channel messages: one targeting parents In Ukrainian language and on other message targeting population at large.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>IFRC</b> – Natalia conducting a needs assessment in the following month for further delivery of MHPSS Services.</li> <li>- <b>MdM</b> – made the differentiation between needs and urgent needs in delivering counselling services, recommending the working in</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- WHO will present a link to the Lena app, <a href="https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=org.who.LENA&amp;hl=ro&amp;gl=US">https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=org.who.LENA&amp;hl=ro&amp;gl=US</a></li> <li>- Referral Mechanism for the MHPSS Services should be discussed in the next MHPSS sWG.</li> <li>- Identifying ways in which refugees receive their information. Discussing in the following MHPSS sWG</li> <li>- 6 specialists will be trained in the following 2 weeks/ ACF</li> <li>- Ioana WHO will provide information about NGOs working with sexual and gender violence.in the next S WG. Information made available</li> </ul>
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	<p>teams with social worker and psychologist. MDM also mentioned the elderly category which is very vulnerable and refuse to leave the border proximity intending to go back to Ukraine.</p> <p><b>Communication and Information materials:</b> the communication and information aspect were raised by all participants to the meeting.</p> <p>-</p>	
<b>Webinars/ Workshops</b>		- N/A
<b>AoB / Closure</b>	- The time frequency changed from weekly to bi-weekly.	-