

Minutes of Health Coordination Group Meeting – South Region

Locations: Tyre - UNHCR Compound Time/Date: 11h00-13h00, 2 August, 2013

	Issue	Actor (focal agency)	Deadline
1.	Update on refugees trends: - 71,358 Syrians are registered in UNHCR and 10,788 are schedules to be registered in South as of 31 July 2013.		
	- 554,108 Syrians are registered in UNHCR and 111,870 are schedules to be registered (total 665,978) in Lebanon as of 31 July 2013.		
2.	3 W Health Matrix, Health Information Brochures		
	Action points:		
	- New partners to update information on their health intervention in 3 W's health matrix.	UNHCR/partners	28 August
	- Existing health partners to update any changes / new activities in 3 W's health matrix.		2013
	- All health partners to provide feedback/inputs in UNHCR's health Brochure.		
3.	Health Information data, disease trends and analysis		
	 UNHCR developed minimum reporting tools on HIS data for PHC, mobile clinics and secondary health care. 		
	 UNHCR's IP and some operational partners such as MOSA, MoPH and Humedica will share data to UNHCR by using UNHCR' HIS reporting form on monthly basis. 		
	- UNHCR will be merged the data from the same region as one HIS report.		
	- UNHCR will generate four reports as per HIS regions: (Beirut and Mt Lebanon, North, South,		

	Bekaa)	
	Action points:	
	- Health sector partners in the south are encouraged to join UNHCR's minimum HIS reporting.	UNHCR/partners
	 Health partners in South who are interested to join UNHCR's HIS report will be requested for a meeting to discuss further details on HIS reporting tools and procedures. 	
4.	 Disease outbreaks: WHO shared the downward trend of measles all over the Lebanon. There are risks of Cholera and polio especially in the Informal Tented Settlement sites due to combination factors of overcrowded living conditions and poor quality of water. WHO is working on establishment of diagnostic laboratory services for cholera and stockpile for cholera treatment in collaboration with MoPH. 	
5.	 Vaccination and child health: Vaccinations for children under 18 years is on-going at UNHCR registration centre in Tyr. UNICEF provides the vaccines while MoPH provides dedicated staff to provide vaccination shots. 6,835 children have already been vaccinated as end of July 2013. Gap: Vaccination cards are not available at the immunization centre at registration site in the south. 	
	Action points:	
	 UNHCR will follow-up with MoPH to provide vaccination cards once they received vaccination for follow-up doses. 	UNICEF / MoPH/UNHCR
6.	Reproductive Health:	
	 Minimum package for Antenatal care protocols to be shared by UNFPA. IMC, ABAAD & UNICEF are planning to conduct training sessions on Clinical Management of Rape Survivors (CMR) between End of August and September 2013. UNFPA will carry out youth situation assessment and to train partners for youth friendly services in PH centres. The data on abortion are not available in current MoPH data. WHO is to launch a campaign 	

	against abortion and to conduct training on prevention and safe abortion for PHC staff.		
	- UNFPA clarified that abortion is forbidden in Lebanon by law.		
	 3 maternal deaths were reported in July 2013 but causes of death still need to be investigated by MoPH's surveillance department. PHC can request family planning materials to MoPH. 		
	Action points:		
	- Minimum package for Antenatal care protocols will be shared by UNFPA to all partners	UNFPA	28 Aug 2013
	- IMC and ABAAD to identify participants and share agenda for the training for CMR.	IMC/ABAAD	28 Aug
	- WHO is to follow-up with MopH on the maternal death cases and update with UNHCR	WHO/MoPH	2013 28 Aug 2103
7.	Mobile Medical Units		2100
/.	- Only MSF Belgium shared their information on MMU.		
	Action point:		
		All partners	28 Aug 2013
8.	Mental Health		2013
	 IMC is still operating under Iraqi program on mental health and will extend the MHPSS service to Syrian refugees by end of August 2013 and will also include MH case management. MSF –Belgium is recruiting a psychologist for psychosocial support /psychotherapy related to SGBV in Marjoyoun and Hasbaya and referral for MH case management. 		
	Action point:		
	- MSF, AVSI and INTERSOS to coordinate their intervention on mental health and referral mechanism for MH case management.	MSF, AVSI, INTERSOS	
9.	Nutrition - WHO declared that nutrition assessment will start as of September 2013 in coordination with		

	UNICEF and WFP.		
	Action point:		
	- WHO will share the findings on nutritional assessment.	WHO	Sept 2013
10.	Update by partners on technical issues	******	3cpt 2013
	 IMC is to conduct health awareness sessions on various health topics such as personal hygiene, family planning, breast feeding, immunization and maternal and child health. IMC will target ITS for HE sessions. NRC has prepared a presentation on refugee assistance to be presented in Ma'rakeh, Bazouriyeh. NRC is to start information sessions about service providers in UNHCR premises and then expand to include ITS in Bint Jbeil and Nabatiyeh. IOM will conduct health assessment all over Lebanon and followed by psychosocial support. 		
	Action point: - NRC to share the materials and schedule of their campaigns	NRC	

Next Meeting:

South Health Coordination and Nutrition Meetings will be held on the first Thursday of every month 11:00-12:30hrs. Location will be in Tyre UNHCR office compound and will be confirmed one week before the meeting. It is a commitment of the Health Sector Coordinator that minutes of meetings are shared within 7 days of the HCG meeting. Agenda and work plan will be provided 7 days before the next meeting cycle.

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