

## **MINUTES**

### Reproductive Health working group Meeting

26<sup>th</sup> February 2014

Chaired by: UNFPA-Jordan

#### **Agenda**

1. Follow up on last meeting minutes
2. Endorsement of TORs
3. RH Map/ new update
4. RH indicators
5. Update from RH partners
6. AOB

#### **Attendance**

MOH: Dr Hanan Najmi , Dr.Eiman Shehadeh

HSS II: Dr Nisreen Bitar

IRC: Dr Tatiana Gil

AMAN: Ayat Al Asad

UNOPS: Rebecca Saxton Fox

JHAS: Dr. Ola Al Tebawi

MDM France: Dr Luis Rosa

UNHCR: Yara Romariz Maasri

UPP: Roberta Businaro

UNFPA : Maysa Al-Khateeb

#### **Follow up on last meeting minutes**

- PHC centres providing RH services have still not provided an update for the mapping
- Beneficiary satisfaction survey requires further planning

#### **Endorsement of TORs**

- Name of sub-working group will remain as is, to be consistent with the language used at national level
- TORs will be shared once more for final comments, then finalized; can be revised every six months or so

- The first paragraph of the TORs can be used as the introduction to the RH page on the inter-agency web portal

#### RH Map/New update

- In Mafrq, there is are no female physicians working with MOH. For IUD insertion this is an issue because many women ask for a female physician.
- In Ramtha, MDM has a skilled nurse, retired from the MOH, with the capacity to insert IUDs. Can she do it?
  - **Outside MOH facilities, midwives and nurses cannot insert IUDs, only trained doctors are allowed to do so.**

#### RH kits (*presentation by UNFPA*)

- UNFPA and MOH are planning trainings national reproductive health protocols
- Organisations receiving kits they under use can contact UNFPA and return them, organisations needs consultations about kits they can also contact UNFPA.
- Why not develop a referral system between MDM, IRC and JHAS for IUD insertion? **Follow up by all parties**

#### RH indicators

- The RH indicator selected for the RRP6 Health dashboard is the number of antenatal consultations provided to girls and women
- Other indicators, although not present on the dashboard, should still be reported on
- ActivityInfo, which was used for the planning of RRP6, is also being used for RRP6 reporting ("RRP6 Monitor" database)
  - Partners without access to the database should send an email to [maasri@unhcr.org](mailto:maasri@unhcr.org)

**Action point: Share the manual to using the RRP6 Monitor database**

#### Update from RH partners

- UPP: recently opened four new clinics: one in Amman, one in Irbid, one in Zarqa and one in Mafrq, will provide RH and family planning services for those outside camps. Gynaecologist will rotate between the clinics but a midwife will be always available.
- IRC: Continue providing services in Ramtha and Mafrq; moved to a new clinic in Ramtha, with female and male physicians as well as midwives; patients being referred to them by women's centers.
  - Would like to include tetanus vaccines for pregnant women in their services. Will liaise with MOH; EPI services in Zaatari at MDM are provided through MOH nurses.

- UNOPS: no RH projects but just started a project to procure ambulances for the north
- Aman: two new mobile clinics, starting next week three times a week in Madaba, Karak and Al Aghwar
- MOH: proposed RH workshop for MISP for service providers with UNFPA support
- MDM: last week started providing RH APA activities in Ramtha with a midwife available four times a week; want to provide a training on abdominal ultrasound, will liaise with MOH.
  - Such trainings usually take place in big hospitals, like Al Bashir hospital, who are usually very busy; there is currently no set curriculum for this training.
- JHAS: services include family planning, antenatal care ,deliveries and post-natal care; as of last week have a focal point with MOH for TT vaccines .JHAS has ongoing RH awareness activities.
- HSS II: updated clinical guidelines for family planning, will be uploaded to the RH page on the inter-agency web portal; training manuals (both for trainees and trainers) for counselling available in Arabic; conducting several workshops for family planning in collaboration with MOH; celebrated Family Planning Day on February 11<sup>th</sup>; November 11<sup>th</sup> has been designated National Family Planning Day in Jordan; working with both MOH centers and RMS hospitals in introducing post-partum family planning – before discharge, the woman will receive family planning counselling and services
  - The trainers for these post-partum family planning services are from MOH; if NGOs would like to have such trainings, should liaise with MOH.

#### AOB

- IEC material: UNFPA/JHAS/IRC Posters will be put at the UNHCR Reception Area at Rabaa Al Sarhan

**Action point: RH providers could ask for the posters and follow up on availability of other IEC material.**

- Vulnerability assessment framework update: workshop was held on 5 February with representatives from all sectors and most sub-working groups; draft list of indicators was drawn up, reviewed by Steering Committee (five UN agencies, five NGOs and two donors). Aim is to agree on common indicators to be used by different organisations when assessing household vulnerability.
- Zaatari update: New RH providers (MDM and Qatar); Shared IEC messages at the last working group meeting in Zaatari and received feedback
- Antenatal card used with MOH should be consistent with MOH protocol; has the basic information about the beneficiary that any service provider will need , already consulted with MoH for modifications . If MDM decides to print this card, they can include the UNFPA, MoH logo as well as their own.