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| **MAQ Coordination Meeting** | | | |
| **Date** | 27/04/2017 | **Time** | 10:00 am |
| **Location** | UNHCR Zahle | **Duration** | 2 hr |
| **Chair** | UNHCR |  |  |
| **Attendance** | UNHCR, UNICEF, GVC,NRC, UNDP | | |

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| **TOPIC** | **ACTION** | **DUE DATE** |
| 1. **Sector Updates, as well as action points necessary** |  |  |
| Partners that have been granted access in MAQ so far:   * IRC (Protection) * Medair (mapping) * WVI (Basic assistance: HPQ, VasyR survey) * GVC (shelter/wash/protection) * MSF (health) * NRC (protection) * MDN (health) * HI (health)   From the health perspective, access of refugees to vaccination is the main concern; refugees aren’t allowed to cross to the Qaa PHC for this purpose and no ongoing EPI are ongoing through a mobile unit. Moreover, access to SHC may be in many instances impossible to happen but women and children are able to reach Hermel governmental hospital. Access to chronic diseases management is considered an important issue as well, since the concentration of the outreach activities held by the Qaa PHC team in MAQ is targeted towards acute condition management and ante-natal care; to note even for ante-natal care and post-natal care the access is limited since the gynecologist covers only few days per week. Finally, there is no organization able to date to implement MHPSS activities or interventions.  Al Qaa PHC is to working on recruiting a nurse only for vaccination and the process is ongoing.  MPH and beyond are still looking for possible solutions.  GVC and NRC are coordinating together regarding the issue of statelessness which is a major gap in MAQ.  UNICEF states that education programmes has been ongoing in MAQ for a long time, especially formal education where there are three active second shift schools inside MAQ targeting approx. 1,200 children. In addition to Non-formal education programmes (ALP, ECE, BLN, and retention support) implemented under national NGOs outreaching children from MAQ to their centers in Al Qaa or Hermel.  The education constraints in MAQ could be related to limited number of NGOs executing education programmes, due to access granted by GSO in addition to Al Qaa municipality approval | Note | Note |
| UNICEF stated that there are four second shift schools that children have access to, two in MAQ and Two out of MAQ. Risks that are recently affecting the involvement of second shift schools is the increase enrollment in non-formal education knowing that some of these activities in non-formal education are mainly recreational and not educational. These issues might be related to refreshments offered in non-formal education and that is where parents prefer to send their kids.  In accordance with basic literacy and numeracy, UNICEF partners are to coordinate with caritas on out of school kids, around 300 and more children that do not have access to any educational activities. Some challenges faced is the unwillingness of parents to send their children to school due to child labor or culture.  There is a possibility to open another second shift school inside MAQ that encompasses a capacity of 300 new children.  Prior to that, UNICEF advocates for awareness sessions to be provided to parents to explain the difference relying in sending their kids to formal education versus non-formal education. | Note | Note |
| GVC brought up the issue of newcomers in MAQ. There has been referrals of over 50 newcomers in MAQ one of which is an engineer. GVC is advocating that UNHCR conducts a visit to meet with the newcomers and assess their situation. It is important not to disregard the importance of mobile registration. UNHCR stresses again that registration and protection are both working together into assisting the GSO offices and supporting them with the process of renewal. Registration for now will continue to invite the families to UNHCR premises. If some deemed unable to reach UNHCR, registration unit will look into mobile registration/renewal. | Note | Note |
| GVC complained regarding a fraud issue in MAQ. The fraud is due to a man claiming that he is the focal point for UNHCR in MAQ. Due to his connectivity and access to internet and a landline, he is misusing his power by taking money from refugees in exchange of referring their cases and following up on the issue. | Note | Note |
| 1. **Discuss the gap analysis matrix *(sector leads),*** |  |  |
| <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GYJq2_C_h-UtfUOVA0DoQnnMlmy8kV2uF1uQ5INhYtE/edit#gid=0> | Note | Note |
| The above link is to be updated regularly by all sector leads. |  |  |
| 1. **Discussion on the gap analysis matrix** |  |  |
| UNHCR will keep monitoring and assessing the situation and advocating for the gap regarding sgbv. | Note | Note |
| UNHCR is working towards assisting in renewals through supporting GSO offices where a technical assessment mission was done to four GSO offices to identify their needs, meeting with authorities and acquiring more resources (staff for registration, security guard...), expanding waiting area and issuing housing attestations. UNHCR will invite beneficiaries to come to Zahle for renewals and will assess the possibility of conducting mobile renewals to those who did not show up through a dedicated registration plan to MAQ.  UNHCR will pilot to schedule additional appointments somewhere in April to assess how quickly people can move from the roadside into the waiting area and proceed with interviews. | Note | Note |
| IRC is at the moment advocating to do awareness sessions regarding education. After focus group discussions made with children aging 7-15 years, it was noticeable that children are lying about their age in order to work. They also conducted FGDs with women where it was noticeable that there was confusion between psychosocial support, recreational activities and formal education.  UNHCR education unit stated that there is an Education committee liaison officers (volunteer in second shift that they communicate to encourage parents and solve tension issue). There could be a possibility to expand to MAQ.  IRC can deploy outreach volunteer but states that it is very difficult due to political concerns and the fact that they do not have formal registration in Lebanon. | Note | Note |
| NRC is coordinating with GVC on renewals/birth certification. | Note | Note |
| 1. **Action Points** | Partner | Date |
| UNHCR to conduct a mission and/or follow up on the newcomer cases | UNHCR |  |
| UNHCR to look into the fraud incident | UNHCR |  |
| Update the google docs with all the gaps/ongoing activities undertaken in MAQ  <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GYJq2_C_h-UtfUOVA0DoQnnMlmy8kV2uF1uQ5INhYtE/edit?usp=sharing> | All Partners | ongoing |
| **Proposed date of next MAQ coordination meeting** | **25/05/2017** |  |