

Health Sector Coordination Meeting

Date: Thursday, 25 th March 2021	Venue: Teams Virtual - UNHCR	Time: From 10:30 am to 12:30 pm
Participants: UNHCR, WHO, IMC, IRC, JPS, Save the Children, UNICEF, Medair, HI, IOCC, IOM, RHAS, UNFPA, ICRC, MOH, EMPHNET, MSF, Caritas, TDH Italy.		
Agenda		
1. Introduction and Review of last meeting Action Points		
2. Covid-19 Situation Update by UNHCR / WHO		
3. PPP on the COVID-19 vaccination at the camps by UNHCR (in English)		
4. Sub-Sector Working Groups – Reproductive Health (UNFPA), Mental Health (IMC/ WHO), Nutrition (Save the Children Jordan/UNICEF)		
5. Partners Update Urban		
6. AOB		
1. Introduction and Review of Action Points from the previous meeting		
Sector Chair [UNHCR]	<p>Introduced the agenda of the meeting.</p> <p>The agenda of the third Health Sector virtual meeting for 2021 was focused on the COVID-19 response and Vaccines. Progress on action points from last month meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Royal health Awareness Society (RAHAS) to prepare a table with proposed date for Sub working group meetings and share it with the group. Pending 	
2. Situation Update by UNHCR / WHO		

WHO

Epidemiological updates on COVID-19:

- As of 10 day ago the most cases were concentrated in Amman with around 5000 cases/day. Yesterday 24th March ,2021, in Zaraq and Irbid its more than 1000 cases. There's is a constant positive tests rate over 20%. which means allot of community members are not detected.
- Jordan recorded 104 deaths and 9,130 new COVID-19 cases Wednesday,24th April, bringing the total number of cases since the beginning of the crisis to 562,857.``MOH reported on the occupancy rate in ICU at different hospitals in the three regions: North72% , South 31% and Central 76% around .The situation in Amman is very critical ,the occupancy rate is around 85 % of ICU beds and in the private hospitals is 100%. They are moving some patients s form Amman into Irbid to ease the pressure on Amman hospitals. In the coming weeks we may foresee decrease in the number of cases but hospitalization remains acritical aspects as there is a time line between the peak of cases and the peak on hospitalization .
- Under caution measures: UN and Governmental organization reduces the number of staff presences in the office. Ensuring work flexibility and telework, Encourage the staff to register for the vaccine, wearing masks and keeping social distance and reduce gathering at houses.

Vaccination Status:

- As of 24th of March2021, 748935 thousand accumulative people registered (Syrian and Jordanian)for the Vaccine on the WHO platform www.vaccine.jo . 25 % of total those who registered were with the age of 60 +. 124 nationalities have registered 92% Jordanian. Amman has the highest registration number.
- 214097 have been vaccinated, this represent 33.4 % of total registered and 2.3 % of total population of Jordan.
- 66160 have completed the two doses of vaccine. 11.8% vaccinated with AstraZeneca. Recently the government announced the postponing this sconed dose of AstraZeneca that the study showed efficiency improved by 83% when its postponed after 11 weeks .

Action Points	Partners to contact Dr. Nazeema to add them to the WHO daily Sitrep contact list.
Camps Updates [UNHCR]	
UNHCR Camp Updates on Covid-19	<p>Dr Adam provided an update on Covid-19 status in the camps: COVID-19 cases and Vaccination</p> <p>Zaatari</p> <p>COVID-19 cases</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AS of 22 March 2021. We identified 1,553 cumulative positive cases • 131 active cases • recovered 1,409 • 14 deaths ▪ <p>Vaccination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of persons who receive first dose 1,353 • Number of persons who receive second dose 245 • Total number of vaccine doses given 1,598 <p>Azraq</p> <p>COVID-19 cases</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 710 cumulative positive cases • Four deaths • Total active COVID-19 cases 73 • Total recovered COVID-19 cases 633 <p>Vaccination</p>

- Number of persons who receive first dose 172
- Number of persons who receive second dose 8
- Total number of vaccine doses given 180

King Abedalla Park (KAP):

No update

EJC

COVID-19 cases

- Total confirmed COVID-19 cases 365
- Total active COVID-19 cases 13
- Have completed the quarantine and treatment period and hence, they were released 347
- Total deaths due to COVID-19 cases 5

Vaccination

- Number of persons who receive first dose 73
- Number of persons who receive second dose 15
- Total number of vaccine doses given 88

Action Points

3. PPP on the COVID-19 vaccination at the camps by UNHCR (in English)

UNHCR Update

Dr. Fuad from UNHCR delivered presentation on COVID-19 Vaccination Campaign in Refugee Camps (Zaatari & Azraq) .He covered the following Topics:

- Overview of COVID-19 pandemic situation in Jordan.
- COVID-19 outbreak situation in refugee camps (Zaatari and Azraq)
- Countrywide COVID-19 Vaccination campaign by MoH Jordan
- COVID-19 Vaccination Plans in refugee camps (Zaatari & Azraq) Role of UNHCR
- MoH criteria of prioritizing high-risk population for vaccination
- COVID-19 Vaccination Process
- Registration on MoH Vaccine Platform
- PoCs registration status by age (Zaatari)
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4. Sub-Sector Working Groups: Reproductive Health (UNFPA), Mental Health (IMC/WHO), Nutrition (Save the Children Jordan/UNICEF) and Community Health Platform (MEDAIR)

UNFPA / RHWG

MR. Ali Al-Gharabli provided \ the RH update on behalf of UNFPA:

- The SRH SWG meeting took place on the 1st March
- A comprehensive approach to sexual and reproductive health and rights was presented with focus on main services to be included as part of advocating for the comprehensive approach.
- In response to the COVID-19 crisis, UNFPA and its partners (NWHCC, JHASI, IRC, and IFH) launched a new sexual and reproductive health national hotline, to fill the gaps in information sharing, counseling, and referral services for SRH clients. During the pilot phase, (March 2021) 12 calls were received from women of reproductive age from all over the kingdom.
- UNFPA Jordan within its strategic partnership with ministry of health supported production of messages targeting general population on ensuring the availability, accessibility, and acceptability of quality sexual and reproductive health services during COVID-19 pandemic. The messages will have special attention to family planning through preparing a poster on family planning in crises and another poster on free family planning services available at MoH maternal and child centers.

<p>MHPSS SWG/IMC</p>	<p>MHPSS:</p> <p>Updates from Camps and urban:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MH Services are provided at clinics in both camps as usual. Za’atari camp has witnessed a stable trend in the MH consultation rate and returns to the usual rate comparing to 2020. In contrast, Azraq is witnessing an increase of 22% in consultations in the past three months compared to 2020. The highest reporting MH cases were Anxiety and Moderate to Severe Emotional depression symptoms. PSS programs are mainly provided online; and some agencies are mixing the online support with some face to face support. • In urban, services of MHPSS are available according to the mapping on mhps.net <p>Projects of MHPSS submission and feedback</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members discussed different level of understanding for MHPSS among different ministries. Agreed that Hadeel and Ahmad will share draft of advocacy paper on the MHPSS programs with the members, the paper will aim to advocate for MHPSS needs and show the efforts by implementing agencies to cover the gap, and stress on the already existing coordination and efforts enhance coordination. <p>AOB:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members discussed the needs for clear idea on what to do and how to act whenever they face self-harm or harm for others threatening case, will share by the next meeting a chart for better reference. • Next meeting on April 21st at 11:00
<p>UNICEF/ Nutrition Working Group</p>	<p>NA</p>
<p>NCD</p>	<p>NA</p>

<p>JPS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In March 2021 JPS continues providing secondary and tertiary health care services to refugees in urban and camps settings in A total of (540 overall) cases were supported in March 2021.
<p>TDH Italy</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NA
<p>HI</p>	<p>HI: Rehabilitation:</p> <p>Rehabilitation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HI support MoH to facilitate the National Rehabilitation platform which it conducted as 3 workshops each one up to 20 persons. Those workshops conducted to identify a new objective to the platform's future plan. In addition, HI and MoH ensure that the platform member is at the level of rehabilitation (authority, service provider, and users). However, most of the platform members are saying “because the first objective is achieved which is the endorsed National Rehabilitation Strategy plan so, now they have to follow up the implementation of the strategy”. • The rehabilitation intervention is ongoing for their identified beneficiaries by our partners, physiotherapist session, occupational therapy sessions, Prostheses, and Orthoses session and device and provision of assistive device. • The capacity building plan is ongoing for their partners which including training, case management meetings, coaching training...etc. • At the community level, HI CBR volunteers provided basic rehabilitation intervention for their beneficiaries which the beneficiary’s needs assessed by the technical people at the services provided level. <p>Early Detection Early Intervention (EDEI):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build the capacity and quality of primary healthcare providers to provide comprehensive, inclusive, and qualitative Early Detection Early Intervention services for children.

<p>Medair</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve the functional abilities of children with disabilities and developmental delays through the provision of home and center based EI services in targeted areas. • Strengthened early detection and early intervention system and services provision by providing the needed training and equipment for the staff in PHCs and MoSD centers. • Building the capacities of the CBR volunteers to be able to identify, assess, refer, follow up, and conduct home-based intervention programs and support children with disabilities to improve their functionality. • Establishing EI units in the MoSD centers to provide the EI services to children under 6 years old <p>Community health platform update :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Community health platform meeting has been held on 2nd of March 2021 , the following points that discussed: • MOH is continuing its efforts to raise awareness among the community about the COVID19 precautions and COVID19 vaccination through social media and WhatsApp. Also, The community volunteers health committee established in the MOH health canter to raising awareness about the COVID19 vaccination • all organizations are participating actively in the COVID19 vaccination campaign by disseminating the MOH health awareness messages among the community and encourage people to register on the vaccination platform in urban and camps from all nationalities. • all organization are referring Non-Syrians beneficiaries to MOH facilities <p>Medair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular work, no major update from our side
<p>International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)</p>	<p>Dr Kasbar provided an uapdte on behalf of International Committee of the Red Cross :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Despite that ICRC is not having any direct involvement in the management of Covid-19 cases in Jordan,They are working closely with various health authorities like the MoH and the RMS by mobilizing adequate resources to reinforce their Covid-19 preventive capacities through the provision of PPE and hygiene materials for their services in earmarked locations. One of those entities being the Directorate of Health (DoH) in Mafraq to encourage additional support to their services targeting the refugees in the camps.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Otherwise, by reflecting their specific work within the Jordanian penitentiary system, they have been delivering preventive materials in the form of PPE and hygiene materials to ensure adequate preventive measures are in place to protect the health staff working in the places of detention. Moreover, Dr.Kasbar highlighted the aspect of vulnerability characterizing the detainee population that is linked to their detention conditions and circumstances, which among others include also OVERCROWDING. Thus the high epidemiological risk for the spread of Covid-19 among the detainees. In this regard and on the backdrop of ICRC repeated interventions with the health and security authorities, advocating for exceptional access to Covid-19 vaccination for the detainee population,He kindly asked the UN partners to join their voices with the ICRC in support for the mass vaccination of the detainee population in Jordan. • He shared the news about the opening of the fully rehabilitated and equipped 124 bed capacity hospital of the Jordanian Red Crescent (JRC) that has a well-equipped Covid-19 ward and ICU, which would be in a position to receive and treat also patients from among the refugee population. Dr.Kasbar asked the participants to take note of this new development and opportunity while supporting/ facilitating the healthcare needs of refugees.
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RAHAS	NA
IRC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trying to secure fund for IRC Zataari Clinic. For April ,2021 they are continuing with their regular activities in Zataari. • In Urban area Supporting 800 beneficiaries with CASH for Health.
MSF	NA

Action points	

6. AOB	
	To discuss and agree on health Sub-working group meetings dates.
Action Points Recommendations	Amal to prepare a table with proposed date for Sub working group meetings and share it with the group.
Next Meeting	29th April 2021 from 10:30-12:30