Child Protection Subsector Working Group

13 April 2022



Agenda

- Briefing discussion with Judge Ewa Wazny from the Association of Family Judges on issuance of legal guardianship documents for UASCs (20 minutes)
- Presentation by Polish Red Cross and ICRC on Restoring Family Links services in Poland (20 minutes)
- Mapping of CP SWG members and activities through the online mapping tool (10 minutes)
- Short overview of the status of the CP considerations in cash-based interventions guidelines (10 minutes)
- Short updates by members on programs/ activities, CP risk identified and any advocacy points to be raised (10 minutes)
- AOB (5 minutes)



Family Courts and their role to protect UASCs in Poland

- Overview of role of family courts and judges
- Identification at borders and referrals to family courts
- How is the assessment done Best Interests Procedures to assess caregivers
- UASCs present in Poland
- Requirements by caregivers, incl. PESEL
- Time frames



Family Courts – Questions?





Restoring Family Links

- Identification of UASCs
- Other persons who seek to find missing persons
- Who is responsible?
- Where to find support?



Overview of the status of the CP considerations in cash-based interventions guidelines

- Reference and guidance on existing systems and support for families from Ukraine by the Government outlined in the Special Act
- Definitions in line with global standards around UASC and care arrangements
- Child protection principles relating to cash-based interventions
- CP principles:
 - Do No Harm
 - Right to survival and life
 - Best Interests of the Child
 - Equity and non-discrimination
 - Inclusivity
 - Urgency
 - Participation



Additional considerations for CBIs

- Alignment to the national law and child protection system
- Case-by-case basis
- General targeting of at-risk groups of children
- Mainstreaming child protection into the program cycle
- Conduct a risk-informed analysis
- Ensure identification and referrals to access to services
- Participation in program development and decision-making
- Data and information management
- Capacity building and risk mitigation



Groups of children

- Children at heightened risk (not separated from parents or other adult relatives)
- Children living with elderly or vulnerable caregivers who are unable to care for the child/ren or the household
- Separated children (children living with adult relatives)
- Unaccompanied children with a caregiver (non-blood relative)
- Unaccompanied children without any caregiver



Short updates by members on programs/ activities, CP risk identified and any advocacy points

- For discussion with members
- Members were also asked to submit via email to cochairs

