GBV SWG Meeting Minutes 18 March 2022
Online
Chairs: UNHCR & UNFPA


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7. Priority actions for the SWG
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<td>• 2 submissions specific on supporting integration of GBV risk mitigation components (IOM, DRC)</td>
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<td>• Gap: WGSS</td>
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<td>• Submission deadline passed, revision of RRP will take place in mid-term</td>
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<td>• Attempts to capture local actors as much as possible in the beginning of the emergency phase, process will evolve</td>
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<td>• Priority to agree on GBV inter-agency indicators and work collectively on the key gaps and division of work</td>
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**UNFPA:** including NGOs in response and finding solutions to include everyone. We had to be quick and stretched to absorb everything, but we will accommodate.

**Updates on trends**

- Presentation by UNHCR, see here: [2022.3.18 UNHCR figures Moldova.pptx](#)

- In second wave of refugees, people are “extremely traumatized” and with much less or no financial resources, some stayed more than a week in basements under shelling, different than during wave 1, many arrive without a plan
- Higher proportion of specific needs (incl. PwD with accessibility needs)
- Several partners confirmed and highlighted the high risks of trafficking high (transport and accommodation, border and social media)
- Traffickers are well organized (false IDs, engage women, circumvent triggers, female etc.)

  **Recommendations:**
  - service providers and volunteers to be trained on trafficking
  - reinforce security, monitoring at hot spots border, RACs and in informal transport and accommodation
  - Information sharing and awareness raising
  - Availability of trafficking hotline managed by the MoLSA

- Availability of accessible, timely and inclusive information is key.
- IOM trafficking materials developed in partnership between IOM Ukraine and Romania (including La Strada hotlines), prevention activities, support on investigation for border police, consolidation of national referral pathway
- UNHCR social media analysis and campaign – need to coordinate information vis-a-vis communities and other protection groups

  Partners request joint and coordinated approach to communication materials (including on trafficking)
  - Organize joint meeting on communication with communities materials
  - UNHCR, LCA security at Palanca improved, more buses, but still risks (in particular re informal transport at border)
  - Need to coordinate information in all sites and awareness raising

  - Support requests by refugees from national GBV partners on psychological and medical support, gaps identified in CMR and how to access it, need to strengthen coordination between health and social services (MoH and MoLSA)
  - Follow up with health WG and UNFPA – on gaps in CMR, contraceptives, PEP
  - Require involvement of MoLSA and closer coordination with MoH and MoLSA

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Initial meeting to coordinate activities and needs on trafficking under the Refugee Response (UN Women, UNHCR, IOM, La Strada, ILO) - *initiated*

To join dedicated meeting on trafficking, contact Constanze Quosh: *quosh@unhcr.org*

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UNHCR, IOM, La Strada (potentially with volunteers) coordination on info materials

UNHCR follow up with Health WG (WHO) on CMR needs (on agenda of last Health WG and flagged during RRP review) and coordination with MoH – *initiated*
- **Need for site / area specific service mappings and RPs**
- There are still areas and services not covered
- Review 5 W, identify gaps, reorient organizations under RRP and otherwise (UNHCR / co-chairs)
- Growing fatigue among volunteers
- **Volunteers and non-volunteers** cannot always be differentiated
- Systemic registration and visibility of volunteers
- **Movement to Transnistria** (assess GBV services in that area as well)

**Key materials:**
- [CMR Protocol for Moldova](#)
- GBV pocket guide for non-GBV specialists should be translated and disseminated asap. In the meantime: [Russian version](#)

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### GBV SWG ToRs

- To allow new members to review the SWG ToRs, **deadline is extended to Wed. 23 March.**

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### Priority actions for the SWG

- **5W mapping** – to be filled in by individual agency (one line per activity, one line per location)
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- UNFPA (UNHCR) to follow up with counterparts on concrete information and focal points for CMR Referral pathway
- UNHCR to reach out through the Refugee Coordination Forum to discuss MoLSA role in coordination
- All members: Coordinate site-specific safety audits.

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agree to use the interagency tool and inform co-chairs to coordinate who does what where since at least for border and RACs safety auditing is already implemented, need to avoid duplication

UNHCR to share draft safety audit / site level protection monitoring tool for comments (see email)
Dummy version here [https://enketo.unhcr.org/x/gtlqYPqD](https://enketo.unhcr.org/x/gtlqYPqD)
For comments, contact Yasemin Sener senery@unhcr.org, Constanze Quosh quosh@unhcr.org by COB Friday March 25

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Next Meeting: 25 March 2022, 14:00