GBV SWG Meeting Minutes 25 March 2022
Online

Chair: UNHCR & UNFPA

Partners present: from Hope 4, Mercy Corps, Plan International, IMC, Voice Amplified, Women’s Law Center, UNDP, OSCE, INTERSOS, NGO Women’s Initiatives Transnistria, IOM, UN Women, UNICEF, UNFPA, UNHCR

**Agenda:**
1. Introduction and trends
2. Assessment tools and Mapping
   - Coordination of GBV related assessments
   - Assessment registry
   - 5Ws
   - Site level protection monitoring / safety audit tool introduction
   - Safety audit toolkit introduction
3. GBV Referral Pathways: Updates on RP development
4. Creation of an RP Task Force
5. Focus of next working group meetings
6. AoB

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| **Introduction And trends** | - Welcome and introduction  
- Focus fully on the agenda and we entourage contributions, questions from the participants  
- For new members, the minutes from the previous two meetings are shared in the interagency share point folder available [here](#)  
- If there are questions or suggestions they can be put in the chat | - Trends presentation will be shared                                                                  |
• TOR for the WG, extended deadline for comments; if there are inputs, we will adjust
• Participants can provide suggestions for the next few weeks meeting agendas

**Trends presentation:**
• Most recent trends PPP can be found [here](#)
• Main highlights:
  - Refugee population trends were covered during the last two meetings;
  - 3000 refugees arrived over the past week, the majority are women and children; 91% Ukrainians;
  - GBV trends: heightened risk of GBV; trafficking, sexual violence related to conflict in Ukraine; IPV in Moldova and risk of PSEA by humanitarian workers;
  - Increase of GBV risk in the context of informal shelter, private arrangements from border transportation etc.,
  - One of the main concerns is the lack of information on CMR;
  - Very simple referral pathway is of critical need;
  - Safe places for women and girls including LBTIQ+ persons;
  - Disclosure and safe access to case management;
  - Coordination is needed to avoid duplication in assessments;
  - Integration of GBV risk mitigation measures across the activities of the different humanitarian sectors.

**Question:** is there any data on non-Ukrainian, third country nationals/refugees?
- There are 874 Asylum seekers who are not citizens from Ukraine from 45 different countries of origin as well 4000 third country nationals

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<td>- Coordination of GBV related assessments</td>
<td>Assessment tools mapping is the main coordination tool to enhance coordination around data, information and assessments.</td>
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<td>- Excel form is open to everyone and every actor can fill in the information on the activities carried out in different locations and can be found here</td>
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For feedback and comments on Assessment tool members can write directly to Yasemin Sener at senery@unhcr.org
| - Assessment registry tool | - Categorization of activities then describing what activities covers exactly and where the activities been carried out;  
**Important**: one activity should be per one location and per row; the main Metadata elements are to be filled out in one row and then copy-paste the row twice. Then create one row for location, so this will allow us to actually map these activities and to identify in a visual way which locations are more or less covered than others.  
- There is a status field with a couple of pre-set values to know about planned activities;  
- Frequency of the update on the organizational activities is suggested on a weekly basis;  
- There is a column on the contacts and you can put your comments as well;  
- More fields can be added to the table however, we suggest not to make any changes in the names of the fields and/or the order of the columns in the existing table;  
- Based on this visualized information, a dashboard can created to indicate the main statistics about the activities.  

**Question**: For INGOs that are implementing partners, under which organization it should be registered in 5Ws?  
**Suggestion**: to pre-populate the organization field; Column B has International Organization and implementing partner on the right where the local organization can be included if implementing with them

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Copying (Quosh@unhcr.org; behr@unhcr.org; robertco@unhcr.org; dakkak@unfpa.org)  
If you have any documents to share please share with robertco@unhcr.org and kinderbaeva@unfpa.org so they can be uploaded to the GBV SWG folder  

Please provide comments on the site assessment too which can be found here to robertco@unhcr.org and kinderbaeva@unfpa.org
The tool can be found [here](#).

**External dissemination of information products related to GBV:**
- The Ukraine refugee situation operational data portal, there is a page for Moldova and we started populating this page which can be accessed [here](#);
- The goal is to create working group pages for all sectors, sub-sectors, Task Forces that are operating in Moldova response. Link
- These pages information for dissemination widely about: sectors, sub-sector working groups, reports, key documents, event calendar, contact information to access easily, links etc.,
- This page is an interagency collaboration tool with open access;
- If you have any information or content to be shared, UNHCR Information Management team is ready to support;

**Site level protection monitoring / safety audit tool introduction:**
- There is repetition with regards to all the site assessments and this tool is an inter-agency approach to site monitoring, and can be found [here](#);
- This tool will ease our jobs and be quicker in terms of sight monitoring and assessments with regards to the needs; it will save time;
- It is a KoBo Toolbox form that can be applied through a computer, phones;
- It contains questions about the organisation, location; Section 1 on basic needs; Section 2: information sharing; Section 3: protection services; child friendly and women safe spaces are separated in this form; needs, concerns in the drop-down menu ; there is a separate question on trafficking; there is an option on any urgent protection risk feedback;
- This tool will be connected to user-friendly dashboard and be ready by Monday;
- Take a look at the tool and feel free provide your comments;

**Question:** Clarity if this is an observation tool to be used by all actors?  
**Answer:** it is important understand which organisation want to use this tool. Please provide your feedback if you are able to support, and if there are any interested organisations we will organise separate discussions on this;
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| - There are 120 sites to be monitored.  
- Feedback is still being received by the organisations, and the plan is to roll out on Monday. | - The Safety Audit tools can be found [here](#)  
- Developed in response to requests from the field and aligned with UNHCR 2020 GBV policy;  
- Piloted in 4 countries: Indonesia, Mozambique, Romania, Burkina Faso;  
- Objective of a safety audit is to monitor the overall safety and GBV prevention mitigation response programming within a given setting;  
- The tools have two sets of decision trees that allow you to look at the specific context or purpose for which you’re doing the safety audit and to adapt.  
- The decision trees can help to utilize safety data and a more diverse context than what the previous versions of safety audits were around the more structured settlements;  
- The other two tools are the focus group discussion as well as the key informant interview; a fourth tool is a survey questionnaire, and it’s a combination of a focus group discussion in terms of really looking at more general members of the population, not people who have a specific knowledge base/role in GBV response.  

**Added value:** support operations with decision-making guidance for planning and conducting safety audits in different settings; simplify the visualisation of safety audit data; support analysis of collected data.  
Partners, sectors can utilise this tool however, if partners have their own tools, let the GBV SWG group know, so that we can integrate them into all the tools which are being collected.  
- If any risks or concerns are identified beyond the assessments, in day to day work with the refugee community, please share with SW group this information. |

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<td>- Potential health institutions for providing Clinical Management of Rape services have been identified; At the current stage, we are discussing some</td>
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administrative and logistical issues and coordination with the Ministry of Health.
- Workshop for Task Force on Referral Pathway will be held **on Monday, at 3 pm in UN House conference room and online**; Partners/members are welcome to join.

**UNFPA:** will share a list of 9 health care institutions that have PEP available for sexual violence survivors. We are working with MoH on establishing comprehensive CMR services in key health facilities but for now, these 9 health facilities are key. Note that Moldova has a government approved CMR protocols including a referral pathway (available in Romanian only). Main entry point is 112 (emergency).

**Any suggestions, topics for next meeting to be discussed.**

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<td>Would be good to have a short point on trafficking for the next meeting and emergency numbers organization that exists in the country to make sure that everybody is on the same level of information. IOM could give a short brief on key messages, hotlines emergency numbers so that we all have access to them.</td>
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<td>For the next meeting, we could present a situation in Transnistria. We hear different numbers of 16,000 or 25,000 refugees, they are also residing there and facing certain types of issues. Good to know which issues they are facing there and again what we can do and support. Women’s initiatives NGO is actively working over there including other organizations, and we can provide some information on what is happening there.</td>
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**Next Meeting: Friday 1 April, 2022, 14:00 – 15:30**