# Update on the Health system response to the Refugee emergency in the Republic of Moldova

Inter-agency refugee HEALTH AND NUTRITION working group meeting 17 August 2022 (UPDATED)

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# Situation at borders during the last 24 hours (as of 17 August 2022)

6 480

Ukrainian refugees among 31 326 total entries

6 468

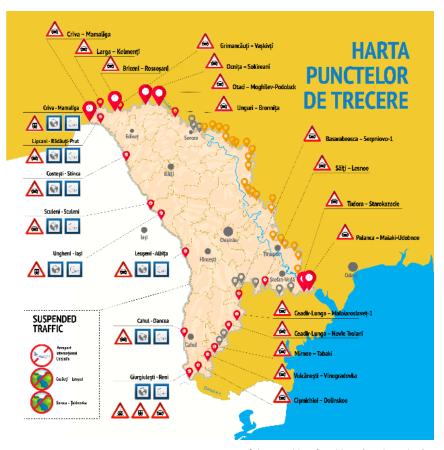
Ukrainian refugees among 32 144 total exits

2 386

Children among refugees entered and exited the country

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Source: Government of the Republic of Moldova (Border Police)

# Situation at borders since 24 February 2022 (as of 15 August 2022)

**571 011** 

**Entries of Ukrainians and** other third-country nationals (TCNs)

80 904

Accommodated in the country

8 705

asylum applications registered (Ukrainian and other TCNs)

456 996 42 637

Exits of Ukrainians and other TCNs:

Accommodated children in the country

68

RACs providing shelter to 3,055 individuals (capacity 5,302)



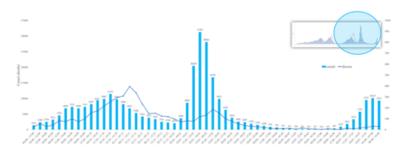
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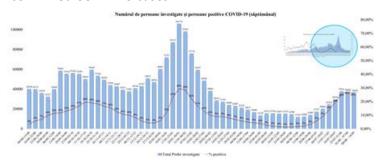
# Ongoing public health risk assessment, EPI surveillance

#### **COVID-19 surveillance**

### Weekly distribution of COVID-19 cases, deaths



### Weekly distribution of tests performed and confirmed COVID-19 cases



#### **COVID-19 immunization**

	Dose 1	Dose 2	Booster 1	Booster 2	Total doses	Doses received
AstraZeneca	297 214	285 839	7 651	0	590 704	584 500
Gam-COVID- VAC (Sputnik-V)	114 041	112 053	42 164	0	268 258	306 000
Janssen	301 473	16	576	0	302 065	302 500
Moderna - mRNA-1273	25 397	21 548	120 508	0	167 453	381 600
Pfizer/BioNTech - Comirnaty	253 302	244 525	149 543	4 852	652 222	1 027 260
Sinopharm	47 146	45 396	1 634	0	94 176	152 000
Sinovac	60 073	57 962	5 795	0	123 830	170000
Total	1 098 646	767 339	327 871	4 852	2 198 708	2 923 860

# Acute diarrheic disease surveillance



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# Pillar 1: Coordination, governance and leadership

#### completed during 1-15 August 2022

Draft winterization strategy and budget for health:

 ~625k for procurement of supplies for management of acute respiratory illness (pneumonia and influenza) expected during the winter period 2022-2023

Coordination of the sub-working group on gender-based violence with partners (UNFPA)

Coordination related to the national protocol on clinical management of rape (UNFPA)

Coordination with the institute of Mother and Child Health to provide technical backstopping for postrape kits management (UNFPA)

Coordination of the National Health Insurance Company to cover SRH services (UNFPA)

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#### ongoing

#### Winterization and recalibration process

- ARI and ILI prevention influenza vaccine procurement
- Clinical case management of the severe ARI: adults and children (medicines, capacity building)

**Co-coordination jointly with the MoH the COVID- 19 situation**, participation at the National Focal Point coordination meetings (WHO)

**EMTCC** weekly coordination meeting. Technical assistance & guidance of the EMTS in the fields

Post Rape treatment technical assistance support to the Institute of Mother and Child Health (UNFPA)

#### planned

Support for COVID-19 emergency preparedness and response plan in the Longterm care facilities (institutional plans) (WHO)

Coordination of the Sub-working group on gender-based violence and post rape treatment coordination to ensure partners have access to treatment (UNFPA)

# Pillar 2: Needs assessments, data collection and management for decision making

#### completed during 1-15 August 2022

#### ongoing

#### planned

Data collection of the evaluation of the nutrition component (validation of the data collection tools)

Regional Perinatal Centers Needs Assessment (UNFPA)

RAC Assessment for health needs, Mental Health assessment at RACs (EMTs)

PHC rapid assessment of 100 healthcare facilities for health service delivery to refugees from Ukraine

Focus group discussion in RAC (Patria Lukoil, Chisinau); 10 interviews on nutrition and breastfeeding

Ongoing needs assessment for the National Cancer Control Program in the context of refugee response

Chemical and Radiological needs , mostly for the first line health professionals

Inter-Agency Primary Health Care Assessment (UNFPA)

Ongoing Assessments to provide support to RACs and Primary Health Care Facilities and Regional Hospital (EMTs)

Finalize PHC rapid assessment data analysis, provide report with recommendations from WHO European RO

Based on cancer program needs assessment procurement of chemotherapy medicines and diagnostic/treatment equipment planned

Assessment of consumption of contraceptives (UNFPA)

Planning to support further RACs and health care facilities (EMTs)

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# Pillar 3: Health service delivery to refugees

Refugee health care provision in the Republic of Moldova (since 24 February 2022 as of 15 August 2022)

~10-15

PHC consultations per day

7 5 5 4

patients received primary health care

2 670

hospitalizations

263

pregnant women received primary health care

50-60%

children among all PHC consultations

3074

children received primary health care

**1305** 

children hospitalized since 24 February 2022

89

pregnant women hospitalized

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# Refugee health needs and services delivered (as of 15 August 2022)

39

patients with caregivers evacuated to EU countries for treatment of cancer and rare diseases 335

patients need oncological treatment

**127** 

deliveries

209

COVID-19 cases

840

dialyses sessions provided

39

diabetes patients hospitalized

**17** 

Deaths in the hospitals

**69** 

children diagnosed with COVID-19

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# HIV prevention, care and treatment (as of 15 August 2022)

**179** 

people living with HIV (113 women and 66 men) including 21 in Transnistrian region 2

children got HIV prophylactic treatment

7

pregnant women put on treatment before delivering 11

people in risk received preexposure prophylaxis (PrEP)

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# Pillar 3: Health service delivery to refugees

# Beneficiaries reached by partners since 24 February 2022

6 558

people received basic heath care

**1716** 

people received mental health care and psychosocial support 264

people reached with health promotion activities (MDM) and breastfeeding promotion activities (UNICEF) 1 264

doses against routine antigens administered for children

Primary health care (EMTs), pre-embarkation health checks (PECs) and medical stabilization for passengers travelling through the Green Corridor from Palanca to Husi (IOM) Basic heath care (UNFPA)

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**Technical Working Group** 

Individual and group psychological and socio-relational counselling in RACs and communities; individual counselling at the Oncology Institute; PFA at the BCPs (IOM) Individual and group counselling (MDM)

Mental health care and psychosocial support (UNFPA)
Mental health care and psychosocial support through Blue dots and Help line (UNICEF)

136

GBV cases managed (UNFPA)

1 535

adults vaccinated against COVID-19

# Pillar 3: Health service delivery to refugees

## **Emergency Medical Teams**

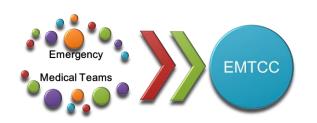
#### **EMT** coordination in place:

- 16 EMTs are on standby and 6 EMTs in the field:
  - InterSOS,
  - Emergency
  - Peace Winds Japan
  - Adventist Help
  - Doctors with African CUAMM
  - Medical Team International

#### **MDS Daily Reporting:**

- Daily reporting.
- The EMT Minimum Data Set (MDS) daily report has been officially activated on 19th March 2022
- Key information which are essential for coordinating EMT was collected by 527 daily reports, which includes data of 5280 consultations (from 11th March – to 15 August 2022)
- Six teams are contributing teams for the EMT MDS Daily reporting

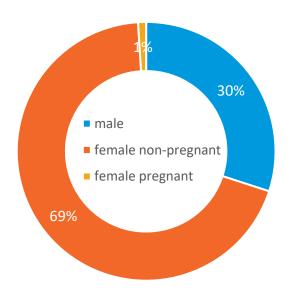
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# Pillar 2: Health service delivery to refugees

### Emergency Medical Teams: Minimum Data Set (MDS) as of 12 August 2022

#### **Demographics (total: 5270)**

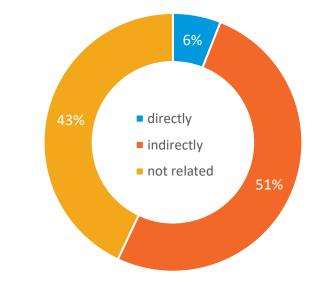


No	Age Categories	<1 y.o.	1-4 y.o.	5-17 y.o.	18-64 y.o.	65- y.o.	Total
1	Male	31	216	493	517	308	1563
2	Female non- preg.	33	144	458	1981	1057	3668
3	Female pregnant			0	38	1	39

#### EMT MDS Gateway <a href="https://www.mdsgateway.net/mda">https://www.mdsgateway.net/mda</a>

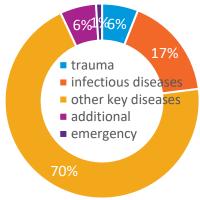
- Forms & Brief Instruction (PowerPoint)
- MDS Maker (Windows Excel Tool)

#### **Relation to event (total: 4707)**



Classification by the EMT MDS.						
MDS44	Directly	Patient visit with injury or illness directly caused by an emergency event.				
MDS45	Indirectly	Patient visit caused or worsened by situational change after an emergency event. e.g.) Environmental exposure				
MDS46	Not related	Patient visit not caused by the event. e.g.) NCD				

#### **Health events (total: 5182)**



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No		Health Events	<5 y.o.	>=5 y.o.	Total
4		Major head / spine injury	0	0	0
5	ē	Major torso injury	0	0	0
6	Trauma	Major extremity injury	1	4	5
7	4	Moderate injury	2	25	27
8		Minor injury	24	266	290
9		Acute respiratory infection	145	543	689
10	1	Acute watery diarrhea	24	130	155
11		Acute bloody diarrhea	0	0	0
12	sease	Acute jaundice syndrome	0	0	0
13	þ	Suspected measles	0	0	0
14	nfections	Suspected meningitis	0	0	0
15	nfec	Suspected tetanus	0	0	0
16	I	Acute flaccid paralysis	0	0	0
17		Tuberculous Bronchitis (susp/confirmed)	0	3	3
18		Fever of unknown origin	18	52	70

# Pillar 4: Health financing and financial protection

#### completed during 1-15 August 2022

\$700,000 was allocated to the National Health Insurance to provide Sexual and Reproductive Health services for refugee women of reproductive age, including covering anti-natal care, life-saving delivery care (normal and complicated deliveries that require Caesarean Sections), post-natal, STI treatment, gynecological care, family planning services (UNFPA)

#### ongoing

Memorandum of Understanding with National Health Insurance Company for financial support and payment for selected services (UNFPA, UNICEF, IOM, Global Fund (TB & HIV cost reimbursement).

Health Financing for SRH services for Refugees is ongoing for the total amount of \$700,000 (UNFPA)

#### planned

#### Updates on:

- the service contracting mechanisms used
- Amount and type of health care services provided

\$400,000 multipurpose cash for pregnant women (UNFPA)

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# Pillar 5: Procurement and Supply Management

Supplies from partners since 24 February 2022 and during last two weeks

# \$500 448 \$5 082

medicines

A batch of 24 items of drugs, 900 vials of Tocilizumab, 2 NCDK and 1 Malaria Kit (WHO)

Reproductive Health kits (UNFPA)

2 Batches of 10 items of drugs and

18,000 bottles of Amoxycilinum, 8,000

bottles of Amoxiclav (UNICEF)

IV fluids for the hospital (MTI)

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\$770 878 \$376 785

medical devices and consumables

Tonometers, pulse oximeters, thermometers, 25 ICU beds and 25 monitors, cold chain devices, WHO Emergency Kits (IEHK, 40 TESK kits, 40 backpacks kits, 250 Intraosseous Infusion Kits (WHO) 16 tons of Inter- Agency Reproductive Health kits (UNFPA) \$103 000

\$52 222

Infant formula

infant formula (UNICEF)



# **Pillar 5:** Procurement and Supply Management

Supplies from partners since 24 February 2022 and during last two weeks

# \$849 271 \$301 700

medical equipment

25 ICU beds and 25 monitors Oxygen Connection system for the RAC Ambulance (WHO) neonatal and perinatal equipment (UNICEF) medical equipment (UNFPA) First aid kits for RACs (MTI)

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\$902 321 \$25 608

laboratory equipment and consumables

12 000- RDT test COVID-19 1 Dengue EIA Other COVID lab supplies RRML operationalization, batch of 24 items of drugs 900 vials of Tocilizumab (WHO) Various items of lab equipment (UNFPA)

\$357 919 \$234 000

Vehicles

2 Refrigerated vehicles for transportation of vaccines 15 vehicles for immunization supervision visits, 16 laptops, 16 printers, 11 powerbanks, 11 Desktops, All in One (WHO) 1 vehicle (UNFPA)

\$1 434 245

PPE and WASH items

Disinfectants, gloves, masks, respirators, 200000 bottles of hand sanitizers (WHO) Diapers, disinfectants and hygiene supplies (UNICEF)

# Pillar 6: Health workforce capacity strengthening

#### completed during 1-15 August 2022

#### ongoing

#### planned

Development and approval of national guidelines on COVID-19 vaccines/job aids (WHO)

2,000 health providers trained on clinical management of rape based on the national protocol and on the Minimum Initial Service Package for reproductive health (UNFPA)

160 health providers are trained on the job on post rape treatment kit utilization (UNFPA)

Trainings for the HCWs on Infection prevention and control measures (WHO)

Advanced Training for life saving skills (UNFPA)

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# Pillar 7: Risk Communication and Community Engagement

110 800

People reached with awareness raising campaigns

Ongoing awareness raising campaign on the importance of public health measures and immunization by distribution of key messages through religious channels, including priest preach (WHO in collaboration with the orthodox Metropolitanate of Chisinau and all Moldova) (WHO)

Youth Manifest on Health reaching around 800 youth and adolescents with health messages (UNICEF)

(UNFPA)

29 000

Leaflets distributed

Leaflets on cancer care and treatment have been distributed in RACs and communities (IOM)

Q&A, booklet on the available health care services (WHO)

Leaflets on breastfeeding, IYCF, immunization (UNICEF)

Leaflets (UNFPA)

5 000

People reached with social media posts

Social media posts (UNFPA)

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### **Pillar 8:** Nutrition activities



#### ongoing

Health promotion activities during focus group discussion in RAC (Patria Lukoil, Chisinau) (WHO)

#### planned

Healthy foods consumption and promotion of the breastfeeding activities (5 territories) MoH, State Medical University, Center of Excellence, Association of Nursing, WHO

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### Pillar 9: Public health activities

#### completed during 1-15 August 2022

# Strengthening the immunization supportive supervision activities (WHO)

15 vehicles were donated for conducting intensified immunization supportive supervision visits and transportation of vaccines (WHO)

#### ongoing and planned

- Door to Door of information immunization campaign during the second stage of the local campaign GET VACCINATED! PROTECT YOUR FUTURE! (WHO)
- Infection prevention and control activities in the health care facilities in the context of COVID-19 cases increasing
- Running of the surveillance system for communicable diseases
- Strengthening the laboratory capacities (EQA activities public health laboratory network)

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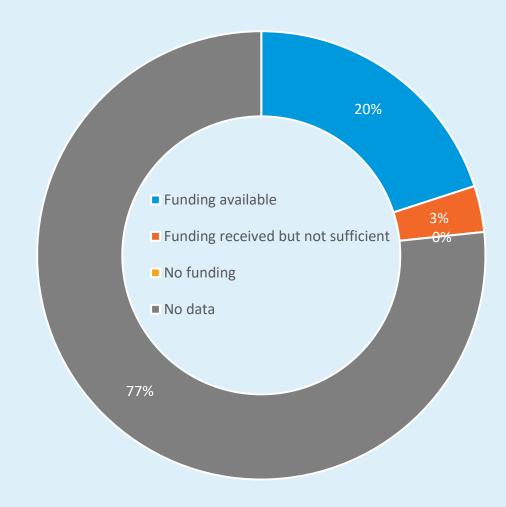
# **Funding**

#### 7 partners reported

- EU (ECHO, DG NEAR, DG SANTE etc.)
- US (USAID etc.)
- Other donors (Austria, Czechia, Germany, Israel, Japan, Norway, other)

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