



# WHO Romania Newsletter

## Oct 2024

### October 2024 Highlights

- **Dr. Clarinval, WHO Representative**, delivered the opening address at the 125th Anniversary Celebrations of the International Conference of Nurses, held at the Palace of Parliament in Bucharest.
- **WHO Romania**, in collaboration with the Romanian Red Cross, hosted a joint event on prioritising mental health in the workplace to commemorate World Mental Health Day.
- **WHO Romania** participated in the official launch of the South-Eastern Europe Health Network (SEEHN) with the regional development center aiming to training and capacitating nurses and midwives from across the region.

## Emergency Response



### **World Mental Health Day**

The Romanian Red Cross (RRC) and WHO Romania hosted a joint event in Bucharest on 24 October to commemorate World Mental Health Day. The event focused on prioritising mental health in the workplace and strategies for supporting the well-being of volunteers and staff.

The agenda also included a live reflection session, providing attendees with practical insights into fostering a supportive work environment. This collaborative event underscored the commitment of both WHO Romania and RRC to advance workplace mental health and strengthen mental health support in Romania.

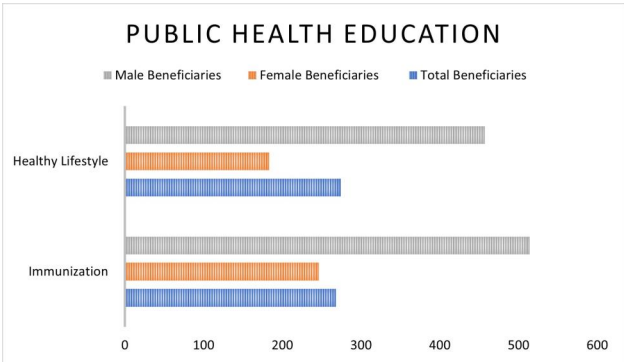
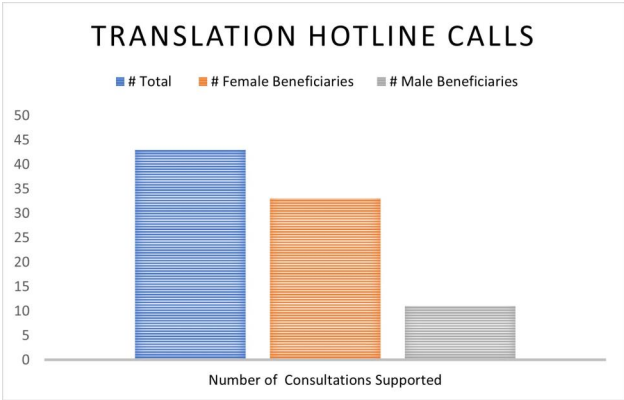
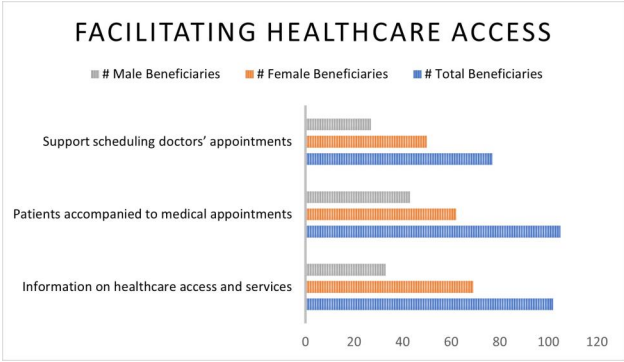
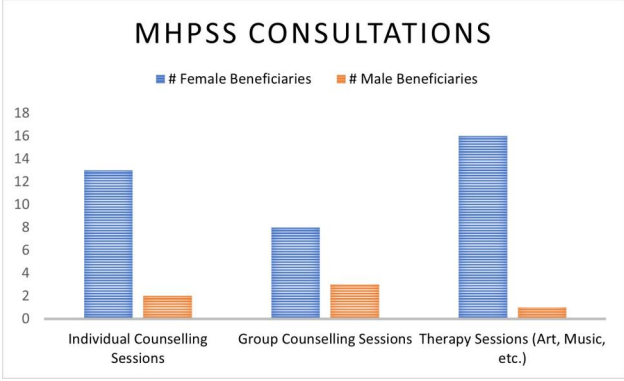


### **National SRH Strategy 2024-30**

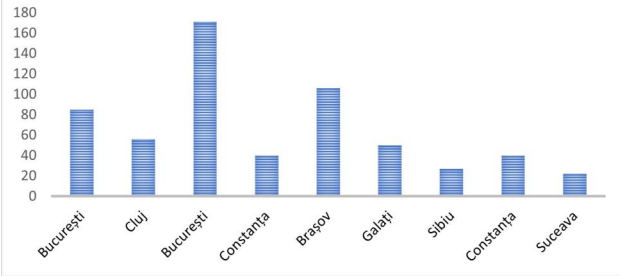
The Ministry of Health convened a working group tasked with drafting a national Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH) strategy. The first meeting on 29 October was organised by the Ministry of Health's General Directorate of Medical Assistance and the National Public Health Institute, in collaboration with the Eastern European Institute for Reproductive Health and attended by key representatives from Romania's sexual and reproductive health sector. Weekly meetings will continue until the strategy is finalised.

### **Data Insights Oct 2024**

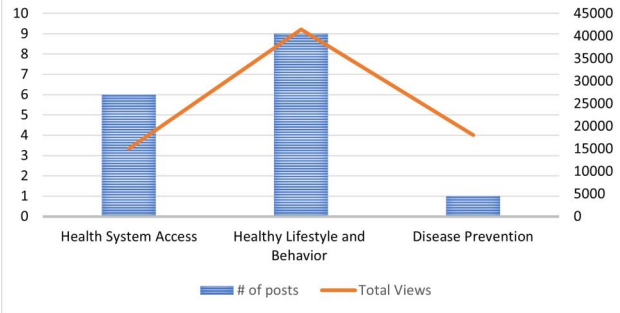
- WHO cultural mediators directly supported 318 Ukrainians with accessing national healthcare services and delivered 64 individual psychosocial support sessions as well as 16 art and music group therapy sessions.
- The WHO translation hotline provided 54 translations for medical consultations throughout October, including 6 emergency consultations. 42 Ukrainian women and 18 men aged from under-18 to +55 years benefited from the free-of-charge services.
- WHO supported family doctors in Brasov, Bucharest, Cluj, Constanta, Galati, Sibiu and Suceava delivered 262 first and 140 follow-up primary healthcare consultations to Ukrainians including 15 vaccinations for Ukrainian children.
- The WHO county team conducted educational health campaigns on immunization, healthy lifestyles, mental health and GBV for 542 beneficiaries and reached over 30,000 Ukrainians with online health promotion messages.



### NUMBER OF FAMILY MEDICINE CONSULTATIONS



### ONLINE HEALTH PROMOTION



## National Recovery & Resilience Plan (NRRP)



### Quality of Care

WHO Romania, together with representatives from ANMCS (National Authority for Quality Management in Health) and 15 European countries, participated in the WHO Summer School for Quality of Care and Patient Safety in Lisbon, Portugal between 7-11 October.



## Health Service Management

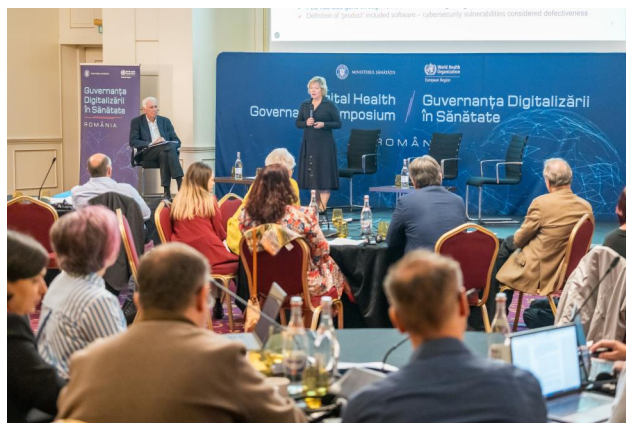
WHO Romania, in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, the WHO Office in Bonn, the European Health Management Association (EHMA) and the Nova School of Public Health in Lisbon, organised two workshops dedicated to environmental sustainability in healthcare management on 24-25 October focusing on transition to green energy and waste & water management.





## Data and Digital Health

The Data and Digital Health (DDH) colleagues at WHO Europe and WHO Romania organised the Digital Health Governance Symposium in Bucharest to discuss practical measures and structures needed for setting up a Digital Health Agency. Sessions facilitated knowledge exchange with experts from Italy, Denmark, Estonia, Portugal and the UK and addressed the need for strong leadership, close coordination and shared commitment among all stakeholders.





## Country Office Events & Communications



### ICN 125th Anniversary

The International Council of Nurses celebrated its 125th anniversary at the Palace of Parliament in Bucharest.

The two-day conference included dialogues, speeches and panels whilst celebrating nurses and midwives worldwide. WR Caroline Clarinval delivered an address during the event, highlighting the crucial role played by nurses within the health system.



### **Events & Celebrations**

WHO Romania was honoured to participate in:

Commemoration of Breast Cancer Day

National Foundation Day Celebrations Republic of Korea

German National Day Celebrations

Swiss National Day Celebrations

12th Edition of the Awards of Excellence in Medical Assistance Gala

Hungarian National Day Celebrations

Austrian National Day Celebrations

UN Day Celebrations

Turkish National Day Celebrations





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