



## TARGETS

As specified in the RRP5



548,000

Syrian refugees (registered or awaiting registration)



150,000

Persons unwilling to register



5,000

Lebanese returnees



58,400

Palestine refugees from Syria (PRS)



369 million

USD required

## NEEDS

The Lebanese health care system including UNRWA and NGO supported clinics are severely stretched as rising numbers of refugees weigh heavily on public health services.

Many refugees are already in need of health care when they arrive in Lebanon. Others develop health care needs during their stay; often exacerbated by poor living conditions.

While Syrian refugees and Lebanese returnees have access to the public and private health care system in Lebanon, many cannot afford the fees for these services and transportation to health facilities. Some NGOs offer primary health care services free of charge, but the number of beneficiaries covered is limited.

Existing primary health care centres lack capacity to meet the needs. The current supply of medicines for acute and chronic diseases is insufficient to cover the rising demand, while prevention and control of disease outbreak in view of crowded living conditions, poor water and sanitation, presents a challenge.

Secondary and tertiary health care in Lebanon is expensive and the majority of refugees are not able to cover the cost of hospitalization. Additional support is urgently needed to ensure that at least life-saving interventions are covered.

## OBJECTIVE

Improve health of the targeted population by control of epidemics, supporting access to primary health care (PHC) and referral care

## ACTIONS/OUTPUTS

- 1 Control of epidemics
- 2 Support to access primary health care
- 3 Access to referral health care for deliveries and life saving interventions
- 4 Referral to rehabilitative services

## KEY SEPTEMBER DEVELOPMENTS

- Assessment of mental health services provided to Syrian refugees ongoing
- 10 new hospitals contracted, including for use under the contingency plan
- Nutrition survey training undertaken jointly by IOCC, UNICEF and UNHCR
- Malnutrition screening and growth monitoring trainings rolled out country-wide to PHC centres in most affected areas by IOCC with UNICEF support
- Expansion of mental health services through a total of 11 case management teams
- Procurement and distribution of reproductive health commodities

## ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE

Reporting month figures in brackets if relevant



264,000 (16,000) individuals assisted with primary health care



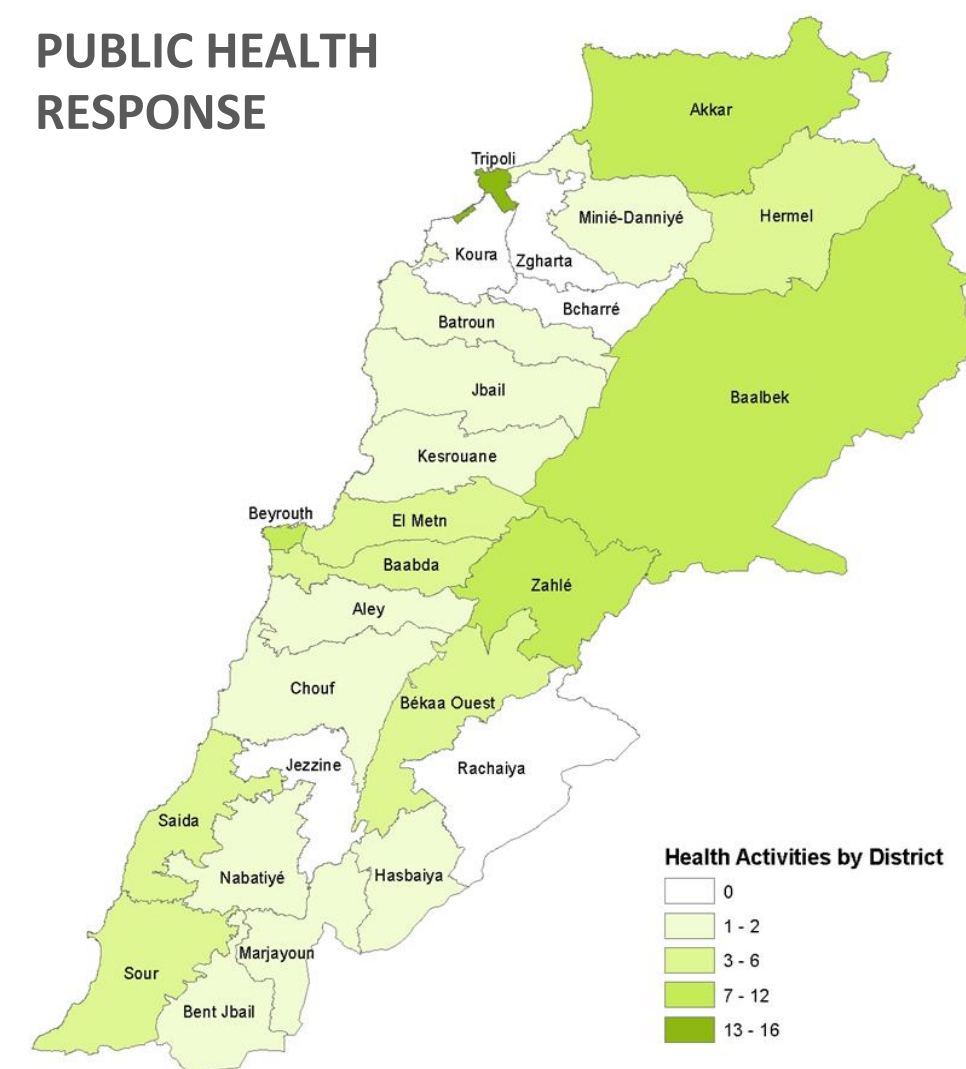
178,323 individuals participated in health education



28,345\* individuals assisted with secondary health care

\* Previous report indicated an inflated number of individuals assisted

## PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE



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