MHPSS Working Group Minutes of Meeting
March 19th, 2014 – Ministry of Health, Amman
Chaired by Ahmad Bawaneh (IMC) and Zein Ayoub (WHO

1. **Introduction & Updates:**
    a. *Finn Church Aid:* provided a brief update on their activities, mainly recreational activities targeting youth (15-24). Currently working in Za'atari and KAP, and awaiting approvals to operate in host communities and Azraq.

2. **REACH Assessments presentation by Lizzie Wood:**
    REACH presented the key findings of several assessments that were recently conducted in Za'atari camp and host communities, including:
    -   Key informant assessment in the four northern governorates (Mafraq, Irbid, Jerash, and Ajloun) as well as Balqa and Zarqa. The assessment focused on two elements: access to services by Syrian refugees relating to thematic sectors, and their prioritized needs by sector.
    -   Information management of Informal Tented Settlement, December 2013 (UNICEF).
    -   Food Security, monitoring of assistance and development of a vulnerability criteria, December 2013 – January 2014 (WFP).
    -   Education and protection, impact of the crisis, inform programming (UNICEF).
    -   Food Security and Livelihoods, impact of the crisis and information to develop livelihood activities (FAO).

    *** For further information kindly contact Lizzie Wood (lizzie.wood@acted.org)*

3. **Any Other Business:**
    -   The MHPSS WG ToRs are now finalized after disseminated for a second round of feedback.
    -   Jordanian Psychological Association (JPA) announced the launch of their first Scientific Conference which will be held on 23-24 April 2014 in collaboration with Irbid Ahliah University. For further information please contact Dr Samir Abo Moghli (menamog@hotmail.com).
    -   WHO announced the celebration of the National Down Syndrome Day on March 21st. The event was organized by the Ministry of Health, Al Yasmeen Association, and WHO at Prince Hamza Hospital.

4. **Training Calendar:** The MHPSS Working Group maintains a shared Google Calendar to track their training activities. This calendar can be accessed with the following information:
    Link: <https://accounts.google.com/>
    Username: mhpssworking.group.jordan
    Password: MHPSSworkinggroup