

MHPSS Sub Working Group Jordan

Meeting Minutes 20th Of January 2016 @ MOH

Agencies present: IRD, MSF, NICCOD, IRC, IMC, UNICEF, WHO, MOH, Legal Aid, HI, IMC, CVT, SAMS

Agenda:

1. Updates on 4Ws exercise for MHPSS services in Jordan
2. Updates from the PSS training package (task force)
3. Presentation on PS training for safe spaces.
4. New/ member updates
5. AOB

1. Updates on 4Ws exercise for MHPSS services in Jordan:

Most of organizations submitted their updates, next meeting will be to present the results and discuss findings and recommendations. Time of the session, place will be confirmed later, will be tentatively on Feb. 17th 2015.

2. Updates from the PSS training package (task force):

Outlines were reviewed and sent by email.

As for the Next steps:

- to share this updated draft with Ahmed who will circulate it in order to get feedback from other sectors and input (resource materials) from MHPSS sector
- to have 6-7 committed people to work on the contents of the training
- Need to agree about the structure of each training session (practices, working methods etc.)

Action Point:

- Members to share any relevant material with the task force/ Dr. Lina's [E-mail: ldarras@ardd-legalaid.org](mailto:ldarras@ardd-legalaid.org) by February3rd 2016. The task force will meet to start the adaptation of the material.

3. Presentation on PSS training for safe spaces.

Presentation on PSS training for safe spaces, Presentation to be shared by email.

4. New members updates:

- **IRC:**

IRC is anticipating expanding their health program to include MHPSS. Previously PSS activities were only covered by the Women's Protection program, but now will be co-run by WP and health. Pending funding, IRC fixed clinics anticipate hiring psychiatrists in mid-2016 in the Mafraq and Ramtha fixed clinics. This is in addition to the existing counselors working out of the mobile clinics.

- **SAMS:**

SAMS Started providing MH services. SAMS accepts referrals from all organizations on Email (Laith): sams.irbid@gmail.com Mobile#: 0798070220

- **CVT:**

On January 12, the Center for Victims of Torture issued a report titled Reclaiming Hope, Dignity and Respect: Syrian and Iraqi Torture Survivors in Jordan, which describes patterns of torture and human rights abuses among Syrian and Iraqi refugees and the long-term mental health implications for both groups. This report is the product of two years of research and in-person interviews of 64 men, women and children who either survived torture in their home countries or have close family members who are torture survivors. The report makes a number of recommendations for response by humanitarian organizations, resettlement countries and governments, as well as funders and organizations responsible for international transitional justice initiatives. These recommendations provide a platform for improving survivors' quality of life and participation throughout the process of transitional justice

Full report here can be found here:

http://www.cvt.org/sites/cvt.org/files/attachments/u11/downloads/ReclaimingHope_01042016.pdf

5. AOB:

A new professional diploma at GJU and MA degree with more focus on practical skills in social work, please refer to Dr. Sahar Almakharmeh (saharmakh@hotmail.com) for more discussions.