## **Education Sector Working Group Epirus Meeting**

Date:	02 October 2018		
Participants:	UNHCR, Second Tree, PH4K, Solidarity Now, INTERSOS		
Chair:	UNHCR		
Agenda			
Key	PoCs = Persons of Concern; MoE = Ministry of Education; REC= Refugee Education Coordinator		
Agenda item	Discussions	Action points /deadline	
<ul> <li>Arrangements for the continuation of the EWG / chairing by other actors/ modalities etc</li> <li>Update Educational Activities on sites (enrolment/vaccinations)</li> </ul>	This the last meeting that UNCHR is chairing the EWG and also participating. As UNHCR has informed it will be closing its office in loannina by end of December and due to lack of personnel and also of the many duties it cannot undertake the current task.  Partners strongly believe that EWG meetings are meaningful but they express that the continuation of meeting might not be feasible among the NGOs but this is something to be seen.  UNCHR is willing to allocate their meeting room in the current offices till the end of December. The next meeting will be Tuesday 30 of October. The second meeting will 27 of November.  Chara (Solidarity Now) will chair the next meeting of October. INTERSOS will keep the minutes of 27 November. Second Tree will keep the minutes of December.  SECOND TREE- more people in Katsikas means greater needs. At the moment they are trying to adjust to the new needs. There is no place for classes- they are hosted to Habibi works. They have the staff capacity (two qualified teachers) but they do not have space to conduct the English language courses for the new arrivals		

**Arsis:** Could not be present so there are no updates from the sites

Update on Enrolment,
 Vaccination in the Urban
 Accommodation

## **Solidarity Now:**

This week or next they will finish with the pending registration of pupils. New arrivals are scheduled for today so the new needs will taken into account. The registration of 5 children is pending.

No problem with the vaccination- new families that arrived they had been already vaccinated. Not all families have the yellow vaccination book; in that case the Greek one is bought. Since some schools do not have much space for other children the solution is to send some children to the next closer school- no big problems with that. The 9th primary school have spoken with KTEL about the transportation of children; the result remains to be seen. Kindergarten: 10 children 5 years old,. For 4years old there is no place. Primary: from 50 children, 47 are going to school. High school: 6 children.

## **INTERSOS**

All children enrolled apart from 3 kindergarten cases (protection reasons delays), high school hasn't started attending due to the fact that we are waiting for teachers and classes to be established. Neochori children haven't started attending as we are waiting transportation from the prefecture.

Agia Eleni all children enrolled however we are waiting for the confirmation that IOM will indeed provide transportation. IoM is in collaboration with the MoE and we are waiting for a positive reply. Seven (7) secondary school children have not been assigned to a school due to limited capacity but the

REC is tackling the matter and the issue has been communicated to the MoE.

Vaccinations are going smoothly and followed up by the Care Support Team.

ADYM: we are still missing a lot of vaccinations due to the appointment waiting period in the hospitals; around 80 PoCs. An ad hoc ADYM issuing will happen today Tuesday in Agia Eleni. Around 50 ADYMs will be issued voluntarily by the Director of Pediatric Department of the University hospitals.

**PH4K:** They made some changes in the hotels; most children are attending schools; now schedule is in the afternoon. In general it is going well.

PH4K has noticed that the pupils that go to morning classes have very difficult exercises compared to their existing skills. PH4K might cooperate and it is under discussion with Second Tree for homework support specialised for primary education pupils.

No news still for registration on the sites; PH4K is trying to become a Greek NGO.

## **SECOND TREE**

Second Tree and INTERSOS took the best students from the Greek language component and they are organising preparation courses for them to sit the Greek Language Exams A2 (for professional reason – no written). Six in total. Fees paid by INTERSOS.

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In Agia Eleni some of the students who had English classes in the	
morning now go to morning classes so the schedule should be re-	
arranged.	

<ul> <li>Regional Education S</li> </ul>	Sector Working Group Meeting is held on a bi-weekly basis up	on all actors' agreement;		
• The next meeting is to be held on 30 October at 10:00 am at: Place to be defined by partners prior to the meeting				
by e-mail				