

Child Protection Sub-Working Group Meeting Minutes

• Date and time: 8 October 2019 / 9:00-11:00

• Location: UNICEF Country Office; Meeting Room – Ground Floor

• **Co-Chairs**: UNICEF/ UNHCR

Agenda:

- ISWG presentation on Q3 reporting

Field SWG Updates

- Child Protection Referral Pathway brief - discussion on the way forward

- Child Labour TF - update

- School violence – update

- CPIMS TF briefing on Midyear 2019 Child Protection analysis

- Discussion on upcoming CP SWG meeting until the end of the year

| Agenda Item | Discussion | Action Point and Responsible Agency |
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| Interagency Coordination Updates on | Information Management presentation: mentioning the importance of reporting to avoid budget gaps and discrepancies in the data. Interagency Coordination Unit (IACU) will organize a training on ActivityInfo and JFT on 17 Oct 2019 and all members were asked to invite reporting focal points. | ActivityInfo and Jordanian Financial Tracking focal points to attend the training and provide their feedback to the CPWG. |
| Reporting | Challenges regarding reporting by CP SWG members: - Save the Children: people who are entering data ae not working on the projects, therefore the training will be useful. | Follow up: UNHCR/ UNICEF (co-chairs); brief back on agencies attended the training on usefulness and any additional challenges |



| Field SWG Updates | Zaatari Camp: suggestion to combine CP and SGBV meetings to avoid duplications, save time and to ensure that all members are attending. Discussion on how to make the field coordination current structure more effective given the various feedback from actors involved in thematic overlapping of different coordination meetings and time-consuming meetings. Challenges in the field: Less staff which makes it harder to attend the meetings. Some people who attend these meetings are not involved in CP programs and have no decision-making position which leads to little engagement, lack of tasks being distributed or taken up by members and delays in decision making; Language barrier for Government actors who do not speak English as fluently; suggestion to switch to Arabic and to get translation where needed; People who attend meetings frequently change lead to challenges in consistency and knowledge of members; | Field staff to share their suggestions for improving the current structure by location; update attendance sheets and mailing lists; CP SWG to raise the challenges of attending meetings during the ISWG with collaboration of IACU. |
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| Referral pathway | Currently final updates awaited by Field Coordination structures - Waiting for Azraq and Irbid feedback on referral pathways - Some of the challenges: special education challenges, money for services, referral pathways are for specific nationalities which is not clearly mentioned; - Challenges in making this document more user-friendly and updating easy; | To raise the referral pathway challenges for other sectors in the ISWG. Follow up UNHCR co-chair with field |
| Updates from Child Labour TF | Inactive Child Labour TF was re-established given the need to coordinate between relevant actors; The meeting was held in September 2019 coordinated by NCFA with attendance of NGOs and Ministry of Labour; Ministry of Education did not attend; Follow up needed; Clear SOPs are needed as there was no clarity from Ministries with regards to roles and responsibilities; | Follow up by UNICEF co-chair on outcome, minutes of CLTF as well as next meeting; Members of the CLTF to remain after the meeting to discuss way forward; |
| Updates on School Violence | UNICEF: school violence has been an ongoing concern reported by refugee families; - previous survey found concerningly high levels of violence in schools; - online survey to be published soon with the purpose of identifying violence in schools; - Animation series about bullying in schools are in progress; - Legal aspect: refer to justice legal centre; parents are encouraged to report to existing hotlines as well as use the UNICEF referral form; - Members Joint meeting with education WG to discuss violence against children. - Include children with disabilities. | Joint meeting with Education WG to discuss violence against children. |



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| CPIMS TF briefing | Analysis of Child protection data undertaken on bi-annual basis; main findings in the attached | See presentation attached to the meeting or |
| on midyear Child | presentation; | available on the CP SWG portal |
| Protection analysis | - For requests on data on CP concerns through CPIMS TF, please contact co-chairs of the | |
| | CPIMS TF: Lucy Cracknell (<u>Icracknell@internatioalmedicalcorps.org</u>) or Sophie Etzold | |
| | (<u>etzold@unhcr.org</u>) | |
| Debriefing from CP | After a consultation between CP and SGBV coordinators, it was decided that among several cross- | See presentations shared and separate MoM |
| SGBV joint SWG on | cutting issues two main topics will be discussed during the meeting: child marriage and National | |
| child marriage and | Standard Operating Procedures on Family Violence as two core overlapping subjects. | |
| national SOPs | | |
| | Several presentations on the main reasons for child marriage were presented. Core outcome is to | |
| | enhance more evidence-based programming for prevention and response activities to address child | |
| | marriage. More needs to be done to ensure behavioural changes are achieved on longer term as the | |
| | main driver for child marriage seems to be rooted in traditions, norms and perception of gender | |
| | roles. | |
| CP SWG Gap | Gap analysis presentation to be presented at the next CP SWG meeting and form to be used as a | UNHCR CP SWG co-chair |
| analysis | baseline for 2020; | |
| presentation | - See also new Child Protection Minimum Standards | |
| Discussion on | Co-chair encouraged members to share their wishes with regards to upcoming CP SWG meetings | Follow-up co-chairs with relevant members |
| upcoming CP SWG | until the end of the year (November and December) | |
| meeting until the | - Partners were asked to see which topics to be prioritized in upcoming coordination meetings, co- | |
| end of the year | chair suggested: | |
| | Juvenile justice (next meeting) | |
| | School violence and joint CP SWG/ EWG | |
| | Inclusion of governmental actors (to be undertaken in December) | |
| | Alternative care mechanisms/ institutional care decision to move it to 2020) | |
| | - Review of satisfaction survey for SGW planned for December | |
| | - Revise indicators for next year, see also discussion upcoming on newly released CPMS | |
| Next CP SWG | Tuesday, 12 November @UNICEF Country Office, Shmaisani, Amman | |
| Meeting | CP SWG meetings will be held at UNICEF until the end of 2019 (as per usual schedule every 2nd | |
| | Tuesday a month) | |