



**GBV sub-WG meeting - Romania**  
**21.11.2024, 11.00 – 12.30 (online)**

**Participants:** WHO, EEIRH, ALEG, Asocatia Necuvinte, Plan International, UNHCR & Daniela Draghici – ESD Instructor

**Key Discussion Points:**

**Mapping of 16 Days of Activism 2024 activities organized by GBV SWG members**

- **Empowerment through self-defense workshops** organized by ESD instructor Daniela Draghici for Art Fusion Association staff and volunteers on December 6<sup>th</sup>, at ANAIS Association.
- **The East European Institute for Reproductive Health (EEIRH)**
  - The Pilot Center for Sexual Violence Intervention will be inaugurated during 16 Days of Activism in the county emergency hospital in Tg. Mures, one of Romania's first integrated "one-stop shop" centers, ensuring inclusivity, privacy, and comprehensive CMR services for victims of sexual violence in one location. Set to be a national best-practice.
  - EEIRH is also actively involved in ongoing GBV prevention and awareness efforts in schools and online with refugee communities via Telegram and WhatsApp.
  - Capacity building initiatives focusing on service providers and managers, including training on rights-based, gender-responsive services for vulnerable populations.
  - On 9<sup>th</sup> of December, EEIRH will deliver a training for national GBV hotline operators in partnership with ANES.
- **WHO will be organizing MHPSS and GBV Sessions in Constanța**, targeting adolescents and women, facilitated by cultural mediators. Curriculum under development, with plans to share it with interested partners post-implementation. Ongoing **advocacy for GBV trainings in universities**, with efforts to integrate GBV modules into mandatory education in medical universities.
- **Asocatia Necuvinte** will have an online campaign to raise awareness on GBV, including a short video focusing on various forms of violence, starting from the most subtle ones to the more invisible ones.

**WHO presentation on MHPSS WG activities**

**Referral pathways and service integration:**

- Highlighted the importance of updating referral pathways and ensuring they are interlinked.
- Discussed integrating GBV and MHPSS services into broader service provision, ensuring collaboration among the different layers of services.

**Mainstreaming MHPSS in GBV services:**

- Emphasized the need to integrate MHPSS perspectives into GBV services, in particular in the scope of key messages to be communicated to the different target groups.



- Explored interest in the IASC MHPSS Minimum Service Package (MSP) as a framework for mainstreaming efforts.

**Capacity building and thematic discussions:**

- Proposed in-person/ online workshops/thematic discussions to integrate GBV and MHPSS dimensions across priorities, including the use of tools like MHPSS Minimum Service Package (MSP) and other available tools.
- Agreed on securing enough space for the participation of 1/2 GBV actors in the upcoming PM+ Training of Trainers (ToT).

**GBV sWG Planning Workshop 2025 (tentative date – January 2025)**

- GBV Referral pathways to be updated, as a tool to collect and organize information on GBV service providers, while avoiding duplication of services. Proposed integration and coordination with national systems instead of creating parallel structures.
- Recommended structuring the workshop around strategic pillars like capacity building, advocacy, and technical support. Emphasized setting realistic goals and distributing tasks among group members to enhance impact.
- Potentially inviting ANES for a presentation at the planning workshop to present their role and coordination efforts.

**GBV CM SOPs consultation workshop – 10<sup>th</sup> December** – ANES and UNHCR, in collaboration with EEIHR and UNFPA, will host a Consultation Workshop on Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Case Management Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) scheduled for 10 December 2024. The GBV Case Management SOPs aim to enhance the delivery of case management services for professionals supporting GBV survivors, with a particular focus on individuals with specific protection needs, such as forcibly displaced persons, persons with disabilities, and elderly individuals.

**Additional Resources:**

- Link for IASC MHPSS MSP-<https://www.mhpssmsp.org/en>
- MHPSS sWG Strategy Document-  
[https://drive.google.com/file/d/18OMMhoTBCaMb9eJ2PUqAZv-JjVMNxPwj/view?usp=drive\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/18OMMhoTBCaMb9eJ2PUqAZv-JjVMNxPwj/view?usp=drive_link)
- MHPSS focused Minimum preparedness plan-  
[https://drive.google.com/file/d/18OMMhoTBCaMb9eJ2PUqAZv-JjVMNxPwj/view?usp=drive\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/18OMMhoTBCaMb9eJ2PUqAZv-JjVMNxPwj/view?usp=drive_link)