

**MHPSS Working Group Minutes of Meeting**  
**April 16th, 2014 – Ministry of Health, Amman**  
**Chaired by Ahmad Bawaneh (IMC) and Zein Ayoub (WHO)**

1. **Introduction & Member Updates:**

- a. CVT: MHPSS services targeting Syrian and Iraqi refugees (survivors of torture and violence) in Zarqa are now based in the Youth Center Association. CVT also provides the same services in their Hashmi center in Amman.
- b. NHF: currently in the process of establishing 8 mobile clinics covering various areas (Jarash, Ajloun, Der Alla, Zarqa, Um Nuara (Amman), Salt, Almasarea, Jordan Vally). Multidisciplinary services will cover the following areas: legal, medical, GBV services, physiotherapy, speech therapy, and awareness sessions.
- c. Intersos: planning to hold an internal training for their staff in May on resilience and psychosocial support (Jarash, Ajloun and Balqa). ***They have requested support from group members who are willing to share any available materials (assessment tools, forms and questionnaires concerning mental health and psychosocial wellbeing).*** This has been requested in an effort to enrich their materials, increasing relevance and adapting them to the Jordanian context.

2. **Presentation on Assessment Registry:**

UNHCR presented highlights of the Needs Assessments Registry, an inter-agency initiative meant to promote the coordination of assessments and decreasing duplication. The online tool is accessible through the Syrian Refugee Response Portal. Standard Operating Procedures were also developed to guide agencies through the process, supporting and promoting information-sharing between agencies, and ensuring that appropriate Sector Working Groups are able to provide technical input where relevant.

*\*\* For more information on the Assessment Registry tool please contact UNHCR/  
Kaleem ur Rehman [rehmank@unhcr.org](mailto:rehmank@unhcr.org)*

3. **RRP6 Mid-Year Review:**

WHO updated on the RRP6 mid-year review process, starting in late April and concluding in June 2014. The main focus of the review will be at the Output/Activity level, requiring changes online on [Syrianrefugeeresponse.org](http://Syrianrefugeeresponse.org).

4. **ERF Updates:**

OCHA delivered a presentation on the Emergency Response Fund (ERF), established to support the humanitarian response inside Syria and neighboring countries, under the leadership of the Regional Humanitarian Coordinator. OCHA is encouraging national and international NGOs to apply for the fund. A call for proposals is being developed and will be disseminated to sector members approximately within the next week.

*\*\* For more information on ERF please contact OCHA/ Amani Salah [salah1@un.org](mailto:salah1@un.org)*

5. **Any Other Business:**

- IMC updated on Azraq Camp, with the opening planned at the end of April.

- Caritas raised the issue of difficulties they are facing providing MH services to Iraqi beneficiaries who are unregistered/without residency permits.
  - CVT announced plans to hold trainings for interested agencies in the areas of counseling, self-care and trauma care. CVT encouraged interested agencies to contact them directly for further info and collaboration.
  - WHO and IMC facilitated a discussion among group members on the identified MHPSS needs and challenges.
6. **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