

Reproductive Health Sub-Working Group Minutes

Date: 24th April 2016

Venue: UNFPA office

Attendance:

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Seerees Abu Jabal-PU-AMI

Merna Al-Hijazeen-PU-AMI

Agenda:

1. Welcoming and Introduction
2. Follow up on last meeting minutes
3. Gender Focal point
4. Standardization of training materials/ IEC (MoH)

5. Update on male task force
6. Agency Update
7. AOB

MINUTES:

2. Follow up on last meeting minutes	
Discussions	<p>A. Updates on Cash for Health programs integration:</p> <p>ANC and PNC are covered by the MoH, therefore it doesn't need to be included anymore into the cash for health program, and cash for health program will focus more on deliveries.</p> <p>B. IUDs:</p> <p>NGOs have requested about the ability/feasibility to use IUDs and issue it for refugees, however they have no trainings or no SOPs. NGOs can only inset IUDs if trained by MoH and follow MoH protocols.</p> <p>Action points: <i>RH SWG lead to coordinate with MoH concerning setting up a training for NGOs and have a bilateral meeting to look into the modalities and action plan on how to ensure that NGOs will be able to utilize IUDs by next year.</i></p> <p>C. Infertility guidelines:</p> <p>In terms of how we can come up with communication strategies on how to approach issues related to infertility.</p> <p>Action points: <i>UNFPA to follow up with the community health task force and discuss the Key messages and come up with communication strategies for the beneficiaries, and know the messages we need to provide, which help the NGOs to start using it.</i> <i>UNFPA to draft clear and basic key messages about fertility to be disseminated to the group for feedback and contribution, then to be shared with the community health task force for review and validation. (By next meeting).</i></p> <p>D. RH SWG ToR:</p> <p>Action points: <i>UNFPA to share the ToR with the group electronically by next week or the week after, to review it during next meeting.</i> <i>(One of next meeting agenda topic).</i></p> <p>E. GBV pathways:</p> <p>UNFPA distributed to the meeting group copies for the Inter-agency emergency SOPs for prevention of and response to GBV and Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of Children in Jordan.</p> <p>F. Nutrition working group:</p> <p>A linkage between the RHSWG and the Nutrition working group is needed.</p>

	<p>Action points: JHAS will be the linkage between the two groups and will be representing the RH SWG in the nutrition WG.</p> <p><u>Additional info about the Nutrition working group:</u> Aim to monitor and improve the nutritional status of those affected by the Syrian crisis in Jordan, by ensuring an appropriate response through coordination among different UN agencies, national and international NGOs and government actors. This includes implementing programmes for the prevention and treatment of acute and chronic malnutrition (including screening, therapeutic and supplementary feeding), prevention and treatment of micronutrient deficiencies especially anaemia and strengthening nutritional surveillance including conducting regular nutrition surveys.</p>
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3. Gender Focal point	
Discussions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ToR for Sector Gender Focal Points Network has been shared with the meeting group. ▪ Ms. Mariam Klait/ SRD and Samah Al-Quran/ JHAS have been nominated as the Gender Focal Point to assist the sector leads to incorporate gender equality measures into their collective programming. ▪ A training on gender is open for the Gender Focal Points from different sectors. For more info please contact Ms. Elsa Groeweld on healthpm-jor@medair.org.
Action Points	n/a

4. Standardization of training materials/ IEC (MoH)	
Discussions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MoH, UNFPA as chair of RH SWG and Medair as co-chair of the community task force met on April 11th in order to discuss how to better standardize IEC and training materials. ▪ All IEC materials and training materials should be approved by MoH ▪ A dropbox with all RH IEC materials currently in use is being created by UNFPA. ▪ MoH highlighted that some training packages and IEC materials have messages that are confusing or not valid and should to be updated. ▪ MoH suggested to cooperate with JICA to coordinate and formulate the training materials guidelines (training curricula) for improvement. ▪ The group agreed that JICA will take the lead along with the MoH to review the trainings/guidelines. ▪ The community training modules review will include JICA, USAID, MoH, UNFPA, JIHAS, community task force representative and IFH & JHAS (tentatively nominated as national NGOs). ▪ Health providers; the health care training package should be revised; specify the beneficiaries from the training, training topics ...etc.
Action Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A committee to review IEC and training materials was created. The members of the committee are MoH, UNFPA, JICA, USAID, IRC, Medair, JHAS. ▪ JICA will be the co-lead of this committee with MOH.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee will focus on two target groups: community members (beneficiaries and CHV/ CHW) and health care providers (nurses, doctors etc)
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5. Update on male task force

Discussions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Male task force Matrix has been shared with the group (attached) Any materials and key messages on RH targeted men should be added to the matrix (under the topic line). UNFPA will support MoH in terms of logistic stuff of design, printing ...etc. There is a need to have a man to chair the involvement of men task force, PU-AMI will suggest some names soon.
Action Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNFPA to share the Male task force meeting minutes with the group soon. PU-AMI to nominate men names to share the involvement of men task force within the coming two days.

6. Agency Update

Discussions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> JICA: Additional experts will be arriving during the last week of April and JICA project targeting village health centers will start by end of April. JICA will share with the group a brief presentation about the project which targeted three areas; Mafraq, Irbid and Balqa (Deir Alla) at May RH meeting. IRC: - Is taking over the formally MDM primary health clinic in Za`Atari camp. This clinic will open in May. JHAS: 																		
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	<p>As per the cash for health WG, all agencies planning any cash for health activities should coordinate with cash for health working group and UNHCR to avoid duplications.</p> <p>Also, before writing any proposal, all should consult and talk to UNHCR. For more info, please contact Dr. Dina Jardaneh jardaneh@unhcr.org</p>
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7. AOB

Next meeting will be on Thursday May 19, 2016 10:00 am – 12:00 pm @ UNFPA Office
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