



Overview:

Curative:

- **Patient Consultations:** 19,676 consultations were conducted in PHCCs in nine camps. The health utilization rate (visit/person/year) was 2.8 which lies within the expected range of 1 to 4.
- **Referrals:** 972 patients were referred from the camp PHCC to secondary and tertiary health facilities for further investigations and/or hospitalization.
- **Mental health services:** 407 patients received mental health services.
- With financial support from UNHCR, the Directorate of Health (DoH) in Erbil procured and distributed medicines for Erbil refugee camps (Darashakran, Kawergosk, Qushtapa, and Basirma). A total of 40 items were distributed to camp PHCCs including antibiotics, painkillers and medicines for chronic diseases... etc.

Prevention:

- Routine vaccinations and growth monitoring services are accessible in all the 9 camps. Directorates of Health (DoHs) in KRI, with UNICEF's support, have vaccinated **237** children against measles, **575** children against Polio, together with **368** children who received vitamin-A supplementation.



Health awareness by IOM in Akre settlement, Duhok

- UNICEF provided Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) counselling assistance on appropriate breastfeeding to **758** pregnant and lactating women (PLW). Nutrition services were provided to **907** children.

Promotion:

- In Akre settlement/Duhok, IOM emergency health team continued providing awareness sessions on health topics including general personal hygiene, diarrhea, respiratory and skin diseases, focus on signs and symptoms, modes of transmission, treatment and preventive measures on communicable diseases. IOM reached 71 beneficiaries (26 male, 45 female).
- In Arbat camp/Sulaymaniyah, EMERGENCY continued providing health education on different topics including breastfeeding, oral health and dental hygiene, chronic diseases control, diarrheal disease and common skin diseases.

Coordination: Health coordination meetings between DoH, UN agencies and health partners were conducted in Erbil, Duhok and Sulaymaniyah governorates in order to enhance coordination and collaboration between health partners.

Capacity Building:

In Sulaymaniyah, Arbat refugee camp, mhGAP training was successful, and one candidate (PHC doctor) out of two now is able to assess and manage mental health conditions under the supervision of the psychiatrist.

Reproductive Health (RH):

Anti-natal care and family planning services are available in all camps. They are provided by DoH with the support of UNFPA. In September, **492** women attended their first ante-natal care session in the nine camps.

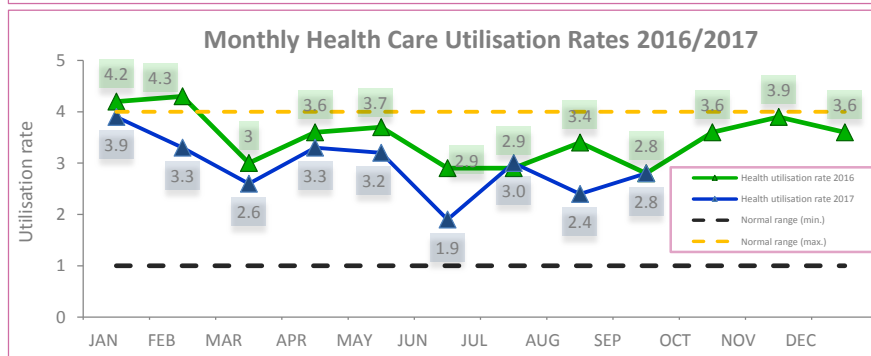
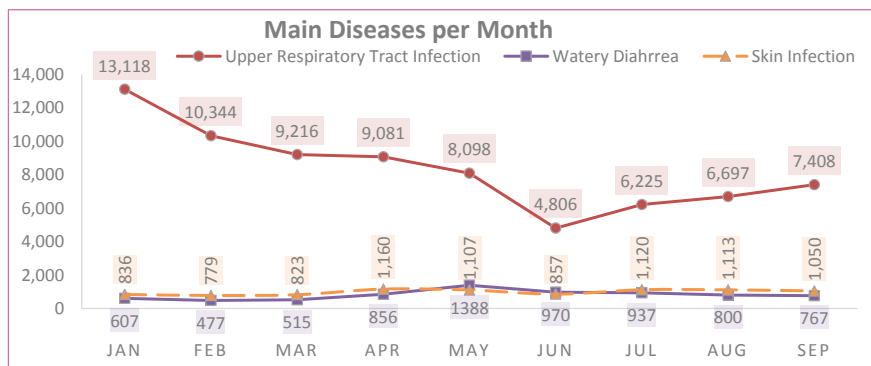
Needs analysis:

Lack of medicines: Shortage of medicines remains a key concern in public facilities, particularly for patients with chronic diseases due to the high number of refugees and displaced people. As a result, the health system is overstretched.

Public health facilities: Continued support to the Ministry of Health is required for health care facilities in urban areas either through rehabilitation/renovation, or provision of medical equipment.

Health staff: Irregular payment of salaries due to the ongoing financial crisis in the KR-I has affected the provision of health services at public health facilities.

Disease surveillance: Control and prevention of communicable diseases need to be strengthened in close cooperation with other sectors (e.g. WASH, Camp Management).



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