



Minutes of Health & Nutrition Working Group Meeting/ South

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Summary of discussions and action points

No.	Issue	Focal Point	Deadline
1.	<p><u>Gaps in PHC Support- Qatar Red Crescent Support</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Qatar Red crescent is willing to cover gaps in PHC coverage. ➤ Partners were consulted about the needs comprehensive coverage? ➤ No inputs were received at the meeting ➤ UNHCR will share with QRC the summary of the PHC prioritization exercise done earlier. 	Reem (UNHCR)	
2.	<p><u>Updates from the MHPSS TF Meeting</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mapping for specialized services not finalized, still pending inputs. ➤ Action Plan (2018), outcomes: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increase availability and accessibility to mental health care. 2. Improve quality of care. ➤ Embrace Lifeline: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local NGO providing awareness on mental health. • Emotional support is provided by call center hotline (1564 / 12 PM→2 AM). • Official launching of the hotline will be done soon. 	Reem (UNHCR)	
3.	<p><u>Measles Update</u></p> <p>Measles outbreak in Lebanon:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From 01 January to 21 March 2018, 181 rash cases were reported. • 147 are classified as Measles cases. • The number of cases increased from Jan (25) to Feb (63). • The most affected governorates are Bekaa and Mount Lebanon where clusters are reported in Faour (Zahleh) and Shatila camp (Baabda/Beirut). • 61% of cases are Lebanese and 39% are Syrians. • 10% of cases are under 1 year, 50% aged 1-4 years and 22% aged 5-9 years. 	Sahar (UNICEF) Rana (MoPH)	

	<p>Situation in South: No Notification in South so far.</p> <p>What was done:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shatila 12-16 March: Mass campaign: 12700 children immunized • Faour Zahle: 28 march-2 April: target 30,000 children • Both led by MOPH with support from partners (UNICEF, MSF, Makzhoumi, IOCC...) <p>➤ Recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spread awareness messages on immunization. • Include awareness messages in their routine activities. • Refer suspicious cases to the closest PHC. • Ensure completion of vaccination card. • Advice that Measles vaccine is available free of charge in all PHCs. • Call 1214/ Report 		
5.	<p><u>Partners Updates</u></p> <p>AMEL:</p> <p><u>GBT-SHR support:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Targets adolescent girls. • Increase access to services. • Working with local community and providing them with services. • AMEL Khiam, Tyre, and Bazzorieh will have the services. <p><u>Hepatitis A cases:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two cases were reported, and provided with care. • Reported cases in Dardara area were 5-6 cases • AMEL Mobile clinic visited the site and assessed the medical needs. • All cases referred to PHC were treated and recorded. • Coordination with WASH (water sample tested, E-coli contaminated). <p>MoPH:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNICEF reported 4 cases of Scabies in Marjayoun. • Diagnosis is not confirmed whether Scabies or Fungi infection. • Treatment for Scabies was provided. 	<p>Mohamad (AMEL)</p> <p>Farah (AMEL)</p> <p>Rana (MoPH)</p>	

WHO:

- Material is provided on MoPH website.
- In Lebanon from 2011 to 2017 number of births and C-section surgeries are increasing.
- Number of births among Lebanese decreased whereas among Non Lebanese it increased.
- Teenage deliveries (< 20 years): 2017 9 % of deliveries (11,000 deliveries), youngest a Syrian mother 13 years old.
< 15 years → 90 deliveries

	2015	2016	2017
Number of maternal deaths	15	24	21
Number of neonatal deaths	537	554	670
NMR	4.8	4.8	5.3
MMR	14	21	17

Number of Lebanese live births	71,310	70,836	69,330
Number of Non Lebanese live births	39,106	43,791	55,267

IOM:

- Training was done with AMEL (Tyre & Bazzoreye) and IMC (All south PHCs) staff on TB awareness and referral mechanism.
- IOM with MoPH is ready to provide training for partners interested.
- IOM not only covers treatment for confirmed TB cases, but also suspected ones.
- 3 Referrals lines for TB: Tyre Governmental Hospital, Nabatieh MoPH, Nejme square Barber Bldg.
- X-ray, PPD, Lab tests, gene expert is provided free in PHCs.
- Gene expert test transportation from hospitals to Nabatieh is provided.

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Next Meeting will be held on 3 May, 2018 at 10.00 in UNHCR, Tyre Office

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