



HEALTH AND NUTRITION

Meeting Details		
Date	28 June 2023	
Time	14:00-15:30	
Chair	Stela Gheorghita, WHO	
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Agenda		
<p><i>meeting agenda</i></p> <p><i>Agenda point 1: Welcome words. Presentation of the Agenda items</i></p> <p><i>Agenda point 2: Interventions in the Health system response and needs to the Refugee emergency in the Republic of Moldova</i></p> <p><i>Agenda point 3: Updates on the Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) activities in the context of the Refugee emergency</i></p> <p><i>Agenda point 4: Activity Info platform. Next steps</i></p> <p><i>Agenda point 5: Action points. Conclusions and next steps</i></p>		
Information collection and relevant links		
<p>Moldova operational data portal: https://data2.unhcr.org/en/situations/ukraine/location/10784</p> <p>Health and Nutrition https://data.unhcr.org/en/working-group/333?sv=54&geo=10784</p> <p>Link to the biweekly update form: https://ee.humanitarianresponse.info/x/SccnOeFN</p>		
Participants		
Stela Gheorghita, WHO	Vitalie Slobozian, UNICEF	Ines, DRC
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Alexandru Voloc, WHO	Cornelia Vintea-Creciu, UNFPA	Natalia Plugaru, UNFPA
Vitalii Stetsyk, WHO	Eugenia Ciubotaru, IOM	Sofia Copacinschi
Daniela Madan, WHO	Giulia Olivieri, INTERSOS	Mihaela Lavrov, Peace Winds
Alexei Ceban, WHO	Diego Nardi, UNHCR	Aliona Curdoglo
Valeriu Sava, MoH	Munteanu Silvia	Victoria, interpret
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Summary of discussions and agreements/ action points

Agenda	Discussion	Agreements/ Actions
<i>Presenters' name, position, organization, E-mail</i>	<i>Summary of discussion with highlights. Please provide links to documents/sources of information whenever mentioned.</i>	<i>Key agreements and follow-up actions with deadlines and focal points</i>
Agenda point 1 Welcome words. Presentation of the Agenda items	<i>The Nutrition and Health WG chair welcomed participants and thanked them for their presence. Participants were invited to raise questions and express their experiences and concerns.</i>	
Agenda Point 2 Interventions in the Health system response and needs to the Refugee emergency in the Republic of Moldova <i>Stela Gheorghita, NPO WHO</i>	<p>The updated info on the health system response and needs to the Refugee emergency was presented. The PPT was developed based on five UN agencies/partners' contributions. The ongoing and planned interventions on health and nutrition were discussed.</p> <p>Partners were encouraged to share their activities and plans for better coordination.</p> <p>On the request of MoH, a health communication campaign on the health benefits of refugees under the temporary protection is being developed by WHO in coordination with UN health partners (UNHCR, UNFPA, UNICEF, IOM)</p> <p>Ukrainian refugees' health financing and financial protection remain a topic of high concern. Health partners involved in financing health services offered to refugees were invited to present the health financing and protection mechanisms committed by their organization:</p> <p>UNFPA representative: The financial mechanism used by UNFPA for 2023 is reimbursement of the healthcare services' cost paid by the National Health Insurance Company to health facilities for healthcare provided to women refugees from Ukraine (aged 18-55) with TPS in Moldova. The funding covers primary healthcare, and hospital care, including SRH services and emergency care, from January to December 2023. Challenges identified include low refugee awareness of available free healthcare and healthcare personnel's understanding of the eligibility provisions.</p>	<p>Partners to share their activities and projects, for a better coordination and to prevent work duplication.</p> <p>To develop a communication campaign on health services offered to refugees with TPS</p> <p>Partners to gather and document the prevalent issues and barriers that lead refugees to decline applying for TPS and to report on these findings for further analysis and action to MoH and WHO.</p>



	<p>UNICEF representative: Financial mechanism used by UNICEF for 2023 is reimbursement of the healthcare services' cost paid by the National Health Insurance Company to health facilities for healthcare provided to refugees children from Ukraine with TPS in Moldova. The funding covers primary health care and emergency. The estimated number of beneficiaries for 2023 is 1300 children. UNICEF is open to covering more services and includes in the funding agreement refugee children without TPS. Bilateral discussions to expand the categories of funded services are being held with NHIC.</p> <p>IOM representative: Financial mechanism used by IOM for 2023 is reimbursement of the cost of dialysis sessions, oncology services (diagnostic and treatment), emergency services (including pre-hospital emergency health care and hospital health care in the case of medical-surgical emergencies) for males and women (above 55) from March 2023 to February 2024.</p>	
<p><i>Agenda Point 3</i> Updates on MHPSS activities in the context of the Refugee emergency</p> <p><i>Maura Reap, MHPSS coordinator, WHO</i></p>	<p>The progress on MHPSS was presented. Partners were briefed about previous and upcoming workshops on MHPSS capacity-building initiatives. The Situational Analysis and Needs Assessment is in the planning phase.</p> <p>The new MHPSS TWG co-chair, Andrei Esanu, was introduced.</p>	Partners were invited to attend MHPSS workshops
<p><i>Agenda point 4</i> <i>Activity Info platform. Next steps,</i></p> <p><i>Daniela Madan, WHO</i></p>	Partners were informed to update the Activity Info database with their organization's respective achievements of the refugee response in Moldova for the second quarter of 2023. It was encouraged to complete ongoing and planned activities to ensure better coordination among health partners.	<p>Partners to share their inputs for second quarter of reporting until 24 July.</p> <p>The quarterly report will be generated using the data shared by partners on Activity Info platform.</p> <p>WHO to compile the inputs into second quarter report</p>
<p><i>Agenda point 5</i> <i>Action points. Conclusions and next steps</i></p>	The Nutrition and Health WG chair expressed gratitude to the participants for their valuable contributions and active engagement since the beginning of the refugee response. They announced the handover of <i>Nutrition and Health WG</i> chairing to Vitalii Stetsyk, Technical Officer WHO Moldova.	WHO to share the meeting minutes and ppt with MoH and health partners.