

# Basic Needs Working Group Amman - Jordan

Meeting Location	EMOPS room, UNHCR - Khalda	Meeting Date	1st April 2019
Co-Chairs	Elizabeth Barnhart (UNHCR) Mohammad Awamreh (CARE)	Meeting Time	14:00 – 16:00 hrs.
Minutes Prepared by	Huda Ali (UNHCR)		
Purpose of Meeting	Basic Needs Monthly Meeting		
Agencies attending	AAH, CALP, CARE, Caritas Germany, Caritas Jordan, GFFO, JHCO, ICMC, ICRC, InterSoS, IOCC, IOM, LWF, NICCOD, TDH, UMR, UNHCR, UNICEF, WFP, WRG, WVI		

### 1.) Summary of action points

No.	Action Point	Focal Point / Organization	Time frame
1.	Basic Needs Services Advisor taxonomies Task Force to provide the next BNWG with the time frame needed to complete the assigned task.	Rima Kabrilyants - UMR	May BNWG
2.	A task force will be created at the next meeting to review the outcomes and lessons learned from the common Winter PDM.	Zainah Arabyat – ICRC	May BNWG
3.	Organizations interested in co-chairing the BNWG should provide their nominations to Elizabeth Barnhart at: <a href="mailto:barnhart@unhcr.org">barnhart@unhcr.org</a> by April 18 <sup>th</sup>	Interested members	April 18th



#### 2.) Session Summaries

Item	Discussion
Last meeting minutes approval	March 2019 minutes approved by the group.
Services Advisor	<ul> <li>Services Advisor is a tool that acts as a directory for humanitarian services available in Jordan. It answers to the 3Ws about activities and services available for refugees. Agencies are responsible for updating their services regularly. Taxonomies are updated on a yearly basis. All organizations can map their services on the system even if they are not part of the JRP. The end users are refugees, and it offers translation and mobile compatible website, and there are different search options according to (location, service, agency, et.)</li> <li>Taxonomy needs reviewing as it currently reflects JRP sector language, rather than language aimed at refugee users.</li> <li>Basic Needs Taxonomy Task Force was created:         <ul> <li>Rima Kabrilyants – UMR, coordinator</li> <li>Mai Dababneh – Caritas Jordan,</li> <li>Mohammad Alawamreh – CARE,</li> <li>Hala Nawayseh – UNHCR.</li> </ul> </li> <li>The task force will meet to discuss definitions of projects and services under Basic Needs (cash and NFIs) and determine some labels (taxonomies) in a way that is well known and commonly used among refugees to refer to the different types of financial assistance.         <ul> <li>A list of the common taxonomies under Basic Needs is in the attached document.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Next meeting the task force will provide the BNWG with an update and timeframe.</li> <li>For more details on the system, contact Feras Alsagban at: alsagban@unhcr.org</li> </ul>
MEB and VAF Review updates	<ul> <li>The MEB task force is continuing to finalize the review/update of the data reference points for Basic Needs, Shelter and WASH. Final decision will be shared by email with BNWG, and the Interagency Unit will be informed.</li> <li>2019 Annual MEB Survey will be conducted by the ISWG/Interagency Unit in the fall.</li> <li>The review of the Basic Needs VAF indicator will be finalized by mid- April, and results will be shared at the next BNWG meeting.</li> </ul>

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Cash for Protection Task Force updates  M&E on Gender in CBI Presentation by the Sector Gender Focal Point (Kendra Hughbanks)	The task force is co-chaired by Kathrin Goeb (Caritas) and Giulia Capuani (InterSOS gbv.officer.jordan@intersos.org). The group agreed to set a ToR, guidelines on cash for protection in Jordan, what does it mean, objectives, types of targeted cases, amounts, modalities, eligibility criteria and complementary measures.  Anyone who wants to join, contact Kathrin Goeb at: kathrin.goeb@caritas.de or Giulia Capuani at: gbv.officer.jordan@intersos.org  The presentation is attached for details and resources. The group agreed that some topics in M&E on gender would be discussed again thoroughly	
AOB	<ul> <li>in the upcoming working groups. Kendra and co-chairs to work out a schedule for targeting core issues.</li> <li>Next co-chair elections will happen in April rather than May due to the upcoming holidays in May/June. Organizations interested in becoming the BNWG co-chair should submit their names to Elizabeth Barnhart by April 18<sup>th</sup>. The voting process will take place via an electronic survey and handover will take place in May 2019.</li> <li>JHF official priorities are not out yet. Recommendations for use of cash as a modality for assistance were accepted. Priority for use of mobile wallets was not included in the JHF priorities draft.</li> </ul>	

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Next meeting is on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2019 in UNHCR – Khalda, EMOPS room