# Health Sector Coordination Meeting

**Date:** Thursday, 28th October 2021  
**Venue:** MS-Teams Virtual [UNHCR]  
**Time:** From 11:00 to 01:00

**Attendance:** UNHCR, WHO, MOH, IMC, IRC, JPS, Medair, HI, IOCC, IOM, RHAS, ICRC, MOH, EMPHNET, MSF, Caritas, SAMS, Humanity, Help - Hilfe zur Selbsthilfe, MIRRA, UPP, CVT, Save the Children, MSF, Qatari Red Crescent, Islamic Relief Jordan, AMR.

## Agenda

1. Review of Action Points from the previous meeting.
3. UNHCR presentation on the COVID-19 situation and vaccination in refugee camps (Zaatari, Azraq).
5. Sub-Sector Working Groups: Reproductive Health (UNFPA), Mental Health (IMC/WHO), Nutrition (Save the Children Jordan/UNICEF) and Community Health Platform (MEDAIR).
7. AOB

### 1. Review of Action Points from the previous meeting

| Sector Chair [UNHCR] | Dr. Muhammad Fawad/ UNHCR of behalf of the Chair and Dr. Nazeema, WHO on behalf of the Co-chair welcomed the audience and introduced the agenda of the meeting.  
Progress on action points from last month meeting: |
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- There are no pending action points

### 2. WHO/MOH update on COVID-19

| WHO | WHO Update:  
Global/Regional Epidemiological updates on COVID-19: (As of 29\textsuperscript{th} September 2021):  
Dr. Nazeema from WHO provided an update on global Covid-19 status: |
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| **WHO** | **WHO global update**: As of 24\textsuperscript{th} October, the global number of new cases has slightly increased, which is around four percent compared to the previous week with over 2.9 million new cases reported. 
**European region** has more than half of the global cases, which is around 57 percent and this is the only region which reported an increase in the cases this week of 18 to 24 October, other regions compared to European region, they showed a decline during this reporting period, African region followed by the Western Pacific region. 
The new cases of death also have increased by 5 percent during the week of 18 to 24th October. 
Over 49,000 new cases have been reported, with an increase in European region and followed by the Southeast Asian region, whereas we can observe largest decline in Western Pacific region and eastern Mediterranean region and in African region, when it comes to number of deaths. 
The regions reporting a high incident rate globally, so the incident rate is counted as per 100,000 population. European region has highest incident rate per 100,000 population followed by the region of America’s. 
Number of deaths incidents per 100,000 population, both Americas and Europe have shown equal number of around 2.3 in European region and 1.8 deaths per 100,000 population in European region. 
USA has shown highest new cases around 512,000 up to 12 percent decrease compared to the previous week followed by the UK and Russian Federation, Turkey and Ukraine. 
It is important to mention that during the ninth meeting of emergency committee, which was conveyed by WHO Director General under International Health Regulations regarding COVID-19 pandemic conducted on 22nd of October, COVID-19 pandemic continues to be a public health emergency of international concern, which means we are still in a high Place of pandemic. |
Update on Covid-19 status in MENA region:

- Eastern Mediterranean countries, the number of cases and deaths continued to decline this week, which is during 18 to 24th October, compared to the previous week. WHO reported 130,000 new cases and 2,400 new deaths. It shows a decrease of five percent in new cases and 13 percent of decrease in number of deaths compared to the previous week and a decline in trends with both (cases and deaths) compared to the weeks of July 2021. In the past week, only 1/3 of the countries, which is around 27 percent. Six countries out of 22 countries in EMEMR in the region reported an increase in new cases and highest increase was observed in Sudan with 57 percent of new cases reported, followed by Syrian Arab Republic with 26 percent of increase in new cases. The highest number of new cases were reported also from Iran, the trend of cases is similar to the previous week in Iran, which is around 93.2 new cases per 100,000 population followed by Iraq, which reported 28.1 new cases per 100,000 population and Jordan reports 94.5 new cases per 100,000 with 25 percent increase compared to the previous month.

- The highest number of new deaths were reported from Iran, around 1,176 new deaths, approximately 1.4 new deaths per 100,000 that showed a 22 percent of decrease, followed by Egypt.

Update on Covid-19 status in Jordan:

- Jordan ranks 15 of the EMR countries and it represents less than 5.5 of total cases in the region after Iran, Iraq, Pakistan and Morocco and it holds four percent of total deaths.

- As of yesterday 27th of October the average number of 1,200 daily cases are being reported, which is a slight increase. It shows a slight increase when compared to the previous month where we had 900 cases per day in September and August. The incidence rate also has been increased with around 17 new cases per 100,000 population in the last week which is a typical community transmission scenario.

- Around 70 deaths were reported per week over last weeks which is lower than last month.

- The total positivity rate went over 5 percent in the last few days of the week which shows a slight decrease.

Update on Jordan Vaccinations Status:

- As of yesterday 27th October, Number of registrations 4.3 million and number of people registered with preconditioned NCD's were around 777,000.
• As per the data up to 28th of October the number of appointments for vaccinations per day were provided were 15,000 appointments.
• Number of vaccinations registered since January 2021 is around 7.9 million, among of them 4.1 million appointments were provided with the first dose and 3.7 million appointments were provided for the second dose.
• Nearly 3.92 million individuals completed their first dose and fully vaccinated people were around 3.5 million.
• Type of vaccines administered, Pfizer, Astra Zeneca and Sinopharm are the top three administered among other types of vaccination. Around 2,000,000 first doses were consumed, the total doses administered for Pfizer around 3.7 million and 6.69 million Pfizer doses arrived in country as of 27th October.
• Astra Zeneca first those are completed 297,000 and second dose 283,000. Total dose administered for Astra Zeneca around 581 and 1.189 million doses arrived in the country.
• Sinopharm 251.5 million first dose completed and again 1.5 second dose completed and we have 5.2 million doses arrived in the country that the total administered doses of 3.1 million.

3. UNHCR update on the COVID-19 vaccination at both camps (Zaatari & Azraq)

**UNHCR Updates [Camps]**

Dr. Mohammad Fawd from UNHCR provided an update as per 28th of October 2021 on the total number of active registered refugees and Asylum seekers in Jordan and presented the overall COVID-19 situation in the refugee camps as of epidemiological week 42.

Syrian Refugees: a total of 670,748 Syrian refugees are registered in Jordan.

IRAQIS total number is 66,526.

Yemeni Refugees total number is 12,760.

Sudanese Refugees total number is 5984.

Somali Refugees total number is 688.

Other Nationality total number is 1450.
Dr. Fawad updates the partners on overall COVID-19 situation in the refugee camps.

**Zaatari Camp**
- Total Population: 80,000 is the total registered population in Zataari.
- Total cases: 2384
- Confirmed cases: 1324
- Active Cases: 13
- Recovered: 2346 which is 98.4% of the total reported cases
- Total 25 deaths which is 1% approximately of the total reported cases

**Azraq Camp**
- Total Population: 443,000 individuals are residing in Azraq refugee camp.
- Confirmed cases: 1324
- Active Cases: 15
- Recovered: 1290, which is 97.4% of the total confirmed cases they have recovered
- Deaths: 19

**EJC**
- Total Population: 6630 refugees are living in Emirati Jordanian camp

Dr. Yousef Khader from (EMPHNET/JUST) delivered aPPP on International Academy of Public Health: a new regional initiative.

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<td>• 4Ws exercise came to end, report of findings results will be shared next month.</td>
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<td>• October witnessed a lot of MHPSS events celebrating the World mental health day, most of the activities and events tried to shed light on importance for continuing the support for mental health services, increase awareness around mental health, increase the efforts to continue mental health programs and fight stigma and integrate mental health services with primary health care services.</td>
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<td>• New app is available to support in connecting people looking for mental health support with service providers, training for professionals on mental health called “Relax” its in Arabic and the version for App store will be ready by Jan. 2022</td>
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<td>IMC:</td>
<td>Dr.Oday from IMC, the medical coordinator. Provided an update on behalf of IMC:</td>
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<td>• Number of Primary Health care consultations provided in zatari camp were around 2,700 consultations and Azraq around 4,000 consultations.</td>
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<td>• Mental health consultations provided by a psychologist and psychiatrist in Zaatari were 850 consultations and Azraq 900 consultations.</td>
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<td>• Emergency room in the hospital of Azraq, IMC provided 4,000 consultations in October and provided 6,300 consultations in the emergency room of Zaatari.</td>
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<td>• IMC referred 204 cases for secondary and tertiary care in Azraq and 520 referred to Zaatari for secondary and tertiary medical care.</td>
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<td>• Number of confirmed COVID-19 cases in Zaatari is 78 cases and number of PCR samples collected in Zatari were 1,200.</td>
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<td>• IMC provided Psychosocial remote sessions to COVID-19 at home based and hospital.</td>
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<td>• IMC Conducted 21 remote sessions Psychosocial consultations for the COVID-19 patients.</td>
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### NCD-Sub WG

Dr. Dina from UNHCR provided an update on behalf of NCD-Sub WG: The meeting was held on Tuesday 27th of October 2021. Dr Nazeema introduced the meeting agenda:

- One of the major agenda points that was discussed during the meeting was global school on refugees migrant health.
- IRC delivered a presentation on their current activities and upcoming plans for 2022, and they highlighted the findings of the survey for the cohort of NCD Patients that they handed over to the Ministry of Health Primary Health care centres.
- NCD group went over mapping exercise, they mapped what are the main guidelines, policies, tools agencies are using for their NCDs projects and what gaps do they consider are available in policies and guidelines and needed tools.
- For the upcoming meeting, Save the Children, Jordan will present their work on community health with the NCD.

### 5. Partners updates urban

#### Partners updates [Urban]

**Caritas**

Caritas has continued to provide primary health care services. During Sep, Caritas provided more than 11000 primary health care services for refugees from different nationalities and provided NCD mediations for about 4000 patients.
COVID-19 awareness messages and counselling continued inside all Caritas clinics.

Caritas provides primary health care services for migrant under specific project as well.

- SAMS officially launched the new clinic for Rehabilitation, Physiotherapy, MHPSS and Cardiology services in Wadi AL Seir medical center /Ministry of Health in presence of Secretary General Assistant for Technical Affairs in MoH Dr. Raed Alshbol
- SAMS had provided TOT training -Community-based Safeguarding capacity building for MHPSS team and safeguarding focal points in management, and coordination of PSEA and safeguarding interventions, child protection, and GBV.
- SAMS continued the capacity building program for MoH and MoSD staff in Irbid and Amman in mental health and psychosocial support topics.
- SAMS had continued the internal medical mission for Syrian and Jordanians in ophthalmology, ENT and Urology

Rehabilitation project:
- HI and MoH are working in finalizing the TOR of the national rehabilitation platform and will invite the platform members to work together to ensure that monitoring the strategy implementation.
- The referral process is reactivating for our beneficiaries that include CBR team identified the beneficiaries and then refer them to our partner to receive the appropriate comprehensive rehabilitation.
- The rehabilitation intervention is ongoing for our identified beneficiaries by our partner (physiotherapy, occupational therapy, PSS and P&O)
- The capacity building which contains case management, coaching, information session, training for our partners is ongoing.

Early childhood Development (ECD):
| HoM HumaniTerra – Jordan | • Starting the piloting of the Clinical National pathways and guideline of CP and DDH with the MoH and choose 6 centers in Amman, Zarqa, Balqa, Irbid, Ramtha and Karak to establish the well-baby clinics.  
• Continuity of the Support (Follow up, Supervision and Coaching) to the Staff in the EI units in Almanar center (Alashrfieh and Irbid) and Hitten center in Zarqa.  
• Working on Establishing new EI unit in Almanar- Alwasatieh in Irbid by assessing their needs (equipment, Furniture and any support to the staff).  
• Recruiting new volunteers in Irbid Zarqa and Amman to provide Home and center-based services to children with disabilities and developmental delays.  
| • NA | • NA | • NA | • NA | • NA |
| Qatari Red Crescent(QRC) | • NA | • NA | • NA |
| Islamic Relief Jordan | • NA | • NA | • NA |
| Health Apeal Society | • NA | • NA | • NA |

5. AOB

| Action Points | • Samira from IACU informed partners that the reporting for the JFT Q3 is due and the JFT data platform is opened back dated from January up to October and the reporting period has been extended till to the 10th of November on the JFT and on Activityinfo. All parnters are encouraged to upload their data during the reporting time line.  
• Interested organization to share the Sector chair their nomination for sector gender focal point network membership. |
| Next Monthly Meeting | Thursday, 25th of November 2021 from 11:00 to 1:00 |