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| **MoM - MHPSS TF** |
| **Date** | 14th of November | **Venue** | WHO (-1) Conference Room |
| **Time** | 2:00pm to 3:00pm | **Minutes prepared by**  | Alain Gebrayel (MOPH-National Mental Health Programme) |
| **Organizations attending** | Caritas Lebanon, Embrace, Fundación Promoción Social de la Cultura (FPS), IDRAAC, International Medical Corps, Makhzoumi Foundation, Medecins Sans Frontieres – Switzerland, Ministry Of Public Health - National Mental Health Programme, Relief International, UNRWA |
| **Agenda**  |
| 1. **Brainstorming Activity for the Development of the MHPSS TF Action Plan for 2019**
2. **Updates on the Information Management Platforms**
3. **General Updates**
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| **Discussion** | **Action / Decision / Suggestion** |
| 1. **Brainstorming Activity for the Development of the MHPSS TF Action Plan for 2019**
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| The National Mental Health Programme has begun with the development process of the 2019 Action plan of the MHPSS TF with an online survey to collect feedback on gaps and challenges in MHPSS work from all relevant organizations. A total of 54 organizations from International and Local NGOs as well as UN agencies and other entities have filled in the survey. The data has been compiled and clustered into six themes as shown below:1. Coordination:
	1. There is a high need for coordination because resources are scarce. Some areas are underserved while others have a duplication of services.
	2. NGOs are finding difficulty to refer persons to other organizations because there isn't a platform that tends to this need. 4Ws platform
	3. Close coordination is needed with schools to raise awareness on mental health. Also it was suggested to closely coordinate with other sectors
2. Availability of Services:
	1. Funding
		1. Sustainability
		2. Limited services vs. needs
	2. Shortage in psychotropic medication
	3. There is limited to no access to psychiatric beds
		1. Private hospitals (very costly)
		2. In General Hospitals (very few)
3. Service accessibility:
	1. Advocacy and Awareness on mental health
	2. Services for children with special needs (developmental disorders, speech and motor therapy, children with autism)
	3. The number of service user outweighs the services accessible
	4. Difficulty of commuting to available services
		1. Cost of transportation
		2. Legal Reasons
	5. Shelters for persons of all nationalities, especially those with MH disorders
	6. Continuum of Care
4. Human Resources
	1. Very big need of Psychotherapists and Psychiatrist
	2. There is a great need for mental health professionals in rural and urban areas.
	3. Capacity Building to MH and non MH staff on evidence based techniques
5. Vulnerable Groups
	1. Persons with Substance Use disorders
	2. Palestinians
	3. Children
	4. Elderly
 | * An activity was conducted with the MHPSS TF members to discuss if there are any other challenges than those mentioned in the six themes.
* Results and first draft of the MHPSS TF Action Plan 2019 will be shared in December MHPSS TF meeting.
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| 1. **Updates on the Information Management Platforms**
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| * 4Ws Online Platform:
	+ 4Ws online platform is open for reporting
	+ Reporting will be done proactively whenever there is a change in activities
	+ A dashboard will be integrated in the system soon
	+ All updates will be communicated via email
* MHPSS Monthly Indicators:
	+ Kind reminder to submit reports to facility director
* MHPSS Yearly Indicators:
	+ We are now finalizing the MHPSS Indicators yearly report
	+ We will soon be identifying who will be reporting for the year
 | * 4Ws Online Platform:
	+ Reporting period is till the 30th of November
* MHPSS Monthly Indicators:
	+ Kind reminder that the deadline to submit the online monthly report for October is on the 15th of November
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| 1. **General Updates**
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| * **EMDR Trainings:**
	+ The last level of EMDR Training (Level 3), took place during the week of Wednesday Oct 31-Sunday November 4
	+ A total of ***19 trainees*** attended the training.
	+ **Upcoming Training:** So far there are **no clear plans** for another round of trainings.
* **IPT Training:**
	+ Both basic & advanced level IPT trainings have been completed by now.
	+ In order to receive the IPT training completion certificate trainees need to recruit a total of 3 IPT Patients and reach termination with them.
	+ Most of the trainees are by now working on their second-third cases. The training is expected to be completed in the upcoming 4-5months. (Official certificate distributions)
* **Brief on High Level Coordination Meeting 5/10/2018:**
	+ Objective: To strengthen coordination and to make MHPSS TF more participatory
	+ Key points discussed and agreed upon:
		- MHPSS coordination mechanism to be sustained beyond the humanitarian response to the crisis which has become protracted
		- To include all actors (not just humanitarian)
		- MHPSS coordination mechanism to be inter-sectoral: MHPSS falls in several sectors which calls for bridging and coordinating between all.
		- Actors part of the mechanism should commit to the work of the mechanism in line with national strategies
	+ New Terms of Reference were suggested to the task force.Important amendments proposed by actors:
		- Membership Criteria
		- Possibility for Co-Chairing the TF
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| **Next meeting: (December 11th  from 2:00pm to 3:00pm, WHO (-1) Conference Room)** |