Health intervention in Lebanon

Main population figures*

Total number of refugees

496.627

Registered refugees

415,826

Refugees awaiting registration

80.801

Total estimated refugee population by RRP4/june'13

300,000

Situation Overview

Syrian refugees entering Lebanon are to an extent able to use both the public and private healthcare system, if they have funds and the services are available within the areas where they settle. However, many cannot afford to pay the fees for services or transportation to health facilities. As of recently, some NGOs offer free of charge primary health care (PHC) services to both, registered and unregistered refugees.

Of the registered population, over 70% are women and children. The health needs are considerable given their near total dependence on humanitarian assistance, the extreme trauma many have suffered, as well as the health concerns of the host population.

With regards to PHC, existing centres need support to ensure both human and diagnostic capacities as well as the availability of sufficient medicines for acute and chronic illnesses. Refugees in turn, need assistance to cover primary health care fees and to pay for medicines, including costly ones for the treatment of chronic diseases over the long term.

Secondary and tertiary healthcare (SHC/THC) in Lebanon is exceedingly expensive and refugees are being charged high costs applicable to tourists and other foreigners. The health strategy focuses on public health in the urban setting and addresses access, integration, equality, prioritization and follows an evidence based approach which consists of the following components:

Facilitating access to comprehensive primary healthcare services:

- People having access to primary healthcare services including Reproductive Health (RH) and mental health care and including provision of medication for TB, leishmania and chronic and acute conditions
- Beneficiaries participating in health education capacity building activities
- Providing capacity building to health staff

Supporting access to life-saving emergency care including deliveries at secondary health care level:

Number of people having access to secondary health care services, including emergencies

KEY FIGURES

51%

19.7%

children under 5 yrs

PHC center supported in the country

Mobile Clinic

Private and public secondary health center supported

MHPSS services

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Humanitarian partners

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Main Activities

Primary health centers: PHC services include medical consultations and prescriptions. laboratory diagnostic tests, immunizations, antenatal cares, reproductive health services, chronic diseases control, and dental care.

Seconday health care: SHC services include life-saving emergencies of medical and surgical conditions, deliveries and neonatal care.

Mobile clinic: Mobile medical services include medical consultation and treatment of acute illnesses, referral to PHC centers for specialist consultations and chronic medications, immunizations, health and hygiene education/ promotion, and referral for secondary health care if necessary.

Mental health and psycho-social

support: MHPSS services include physioherapy, psychological and social counseling, psychiatric and neurological consultations and follow-up, physiotherapy, provision of psychotropic and other mental-health related medications. In addition, psycho-motor therapy, speech therapy, and special education, child psychiatry consultations and follow-up services are provided for children.

3,529 individual visited



with MC individulas supported with MHPSS activities

N. of activities concluded by Governorate in 2013























