

“Services to Protect Women Survivors of Violence the Arab Region”

26 - 29 July 2021

Session Title: Health Services (WHO)

Date: 29 July 2021

Time: 11:00-11:50

Session objectives

By the end of this session, participants would have:

- An enhanced knowledge on importance of the health system response to VaW
- The situation of the health system preparedness to respond to VaW in the region based on available data and information
- A better understanding of the challenges in the region
- A set of recommendations to enhance the provision of survivor-centered health care in the region.

Proposed Session Outline

Power point presentation (20 min)

- Why the health system response to VaW is a key element + WHO Video
- The different level of intervention: policy, service provision (including capacity building (t institutional/organizational and individual/professional levels), awareness raising
- Findings from the quality assurance assessment on the quality of health services for women survivors of violence, in pilot countries in the region
- The importance of prevention
- Provision of health services to survivors during COVID

Group Discussion (25 min)

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 - How is health system response to VaW structured in your countries?
 - What are the challenges you face in providing health care to survivors of violence?
 - What is needed to address these challenges?
- Plenary discussion- (15 min)

Examples from the field (10 min)- Iraq & Sudan (TBC)

Wrap up (5 min)

Proposed Readings

1. Global Plan of Action to strengthen the role of the health system within a national multisectoral response to address interpersonal violence, in particular against women and girls, and against children (2016)
<http://www.who.int/reproductivehealth/publications/violence/global-plan-of-action/en/>
2. 69th World Health Assembly resolution on "Draft global plan of action on violence" (2016)
http://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/WHA69/A69_9-en.pdf
3. Strengthening health systems to respond to women subjected to intimate partner violence or sexual violence: A manual for health managers (2017)
<http://www.who.int/reproductivehealth/publications/violence/vaw-health-systems-manual/en/>
4. Health care for women subjected to intimate partner violence or sexual violence. A clinical handbook (2014)
<http://www.who.int/reproductivehealth/publications/violence/vaw-clinical-handbook/en/>
http://applications.emro.who.int/docs/EMROPUB_2018_AR_16812.pdf (ARABIC VERSION)
http://applications.emro.who.int/dsaf/EMROPUB_2015_EN_1882.pdf?ua=1
5. WHO clinical and policy guidelines for responding to intimate partner violence and sexual violence against women (2013)
<http://www.who.int/reproductivehealth/publications/violence/9789241548595/en/>
6. *Clinical management of rape and intimate partner violence survivors Developing protocols for use in humanitarian settings*
<https://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/handle/10665/331535/9789240001411-eng.pdf?ua=1>
7. RESPECT women: preventing violence against women
<https://www.who.int/reproductivehealth/topics/violence/respect-women-framework/en/>