

occupied Palestinian territory 2018 (part of 2018-2020 HRP)

Appealing Agency	EL-WAFA REHABILITATION HOSPITAL (WMR)
Project Title	Humanitarian response to medical and rehabilitation needs of people with disabilities and elderly especially during emergency situations in Gaza
Project Code	OPT-18/H/115631
Sector/Cluster	Health and Nutrition Cluster
Refugee project	No
Objectives	<p>The proposed project falls under the Humanitarian Response Plan's strategic objectives 2 and 3.</p> <p>HRP SO2: The basic needs of vulnerable Palestinians living under occupation are met through the provision of essential services, in accordance with rights of protected persons under IHL.</p> <p>HRP SO3: The ability of vulnerable Palestinians to cope with protracted crisis, including environmental threats, is supported, while solutions to violations and other root causes of threats and shocks are pursued.</p> <p>The project also falls under the Health and Nutrition Cluster's strategic objectives 1 and 2:</p> <p>HNC SO1: Ensure the availability, accessibility, acceptability and quality of essential lifesaving health services to vulnerable communities in Gaza and West Bank.</p> <p>HNC SO2: Vulnerable communities and health facilities, in the West Bank and Gaza better prepared to respond to emergencies and reduce avoidable mortality and morbidity.</p> <p>Promoting a community based response to basic health and rehabilitation needs of vulnerable people with disabilities and elderly in emergency situations.</p> <p>Enhancing provision of lifesaving healthcare services for more vulnerable people with disability in the Gaza strip</p>
Beneficiaries	<p>Total: 1,650 Elderly , People With Disability (PWDs)</p> <p>Female: 850</p> <p>Male: 800</p> <p>Children (under 18): 550</p> <p>Adult (18-59): 750</p> <p>Elderly (above 59): 350</p> <p>Other group: 1,650 Elderly , People With Disability (PWDs)</p>
Implementing Partners	MOH, ElWafa will work with five local NGOs
Project Duration	Jan 2018 - Dec 2018
Current Funds Requested	\$362,832
Location	Projects covering just Gaza
Priority / Category	NOT SPECIFIED
Gender Marker Code	2a - The project is designed to contribute significantly to gender equality
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Cash transfer programming	<p>Is any part of this project cash transfer programming (including vouchers)? No</p> <p>Conditionality:</p> <p>Restrictions:</p> <p>Estimated percentage of project requirements to be used for cash/vouchers: 0</p>

Needs

The 2020 forecast for the Gaza Strip warns that challenges including poverty and health insecurity will only intensify. The Gaza Strip has been under a health blockade since June 2006. Its health services is severely crippled in the longer term under restrictions of movement and access to resources.

This has been further worsened by 2014 war on Gaza causing massive damage to the entire Gaza region targeting all of its land including its health centers, hospitals and other health related infrastructure .Elwafa Rehabilitation Hospital – ONLY REHAB HOSPITAL IN GAZA – was completely destroyed.

According to the Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics and using the conservative description of disability at least 2.7% (2.9% males and 2.5% females) of the Palestinians had one form of disability most common of which is the physical disability (47.20%). Of the 2.7% prevalence rate 2.4% in Gaza Strip. However this statistic may be largely be underestimated as WHO evaluates that about 15% of the world's population lives with some form of disability, which could imply that an even bigger number in Palestine especially given the wave of violence called "Protective Edge Operation" in Gaza in 2014.

According to HNO (2017), there are 1.2 million people of vulnerable groups across Gaza Strip, a participatory situational analysis (PSA) carried out by Handicap International (May November 2016) and covered all Gaza five governorates, 55.60% of the assessment respondents indicated that PwDs have limited access to health services and rehabilitation as they should due to poor health worker competencies in relation to their needs and a lack of family awareness about their needs, movement restrictions and associated accessibility difficulties within and out of their homes, and a lack of outreach service in far flung and hard to reach areas.

Elwafa hospital is an active actor in the health sector (Medical Rehabilitation) since it started its work in the Gaza Strip in 1996. The project was developed based on assessment of needs with partner organization's leads and technical persons as well as beneficiaries through our experience work in Rehabilitation outreach programmers (2005-2016) and four workshops conducted in 2017 in Gaza

Activities or outputs

Expected Result 1: Persons with disabilities and Elderly have improved access to rehabilitation and psychosocial services through a multidisciplinary outreach and community based approach.

- 1.1 Provision of specialized and multi disciplinary functional rehabilitation services for people with disabilities and their caregivers
- 1.2 Purchase and distribute assistive devices and referrals for people with disabilities as per their identified needs
- 1.3 Support accessibility works of service providers' premises to improve people with disabilities access to centered based services
- 1.4 Conduct awareness raising workshops/ sessions for communities and service providers in the target areas

Expected result 2: Emergency planning processes and responses are more responsive to persons with disabilities' needs

- 2.1 Empower disabled peoples' organizations , Elderly centers and Referral Network members to able prepare and respond to the needs of their constituents inclusively in times of emergencies
 - 2.2 Provide technical support for service providers to develop their inclusive emergency response plans
- NB / ElWafa Hospital will coordinate all above activities (particular provision of assistive devices) with key coordination groups. (i.e. HI, DRBN , MOH , MOSD)

The project has a decided gender mainstreaming orientation focused to make gender equality part of a dominant (mainstream) trend in the Gaza society so that women and men benefit equally and hence, the following actions in this project will be undertaken:

- 1) In selecting the beneficiaries, the priority will be given to families that include widows, divorcees and single women.
- 2) Five local committees will be formed. At least 50% of the members will be women. The local committees will participate in planning, implementing, monitoring and evaluating the project activities. This will ensure good participation of women in all the project cycle.

Protection Mainstreaming

- 1) Prioritizing safety & dignity, and avoiding causing harm: prevent and minimize as much as possible any unintended negative effects of your intervention, which can increase people's vulnerability to both physical and psychosocial risks
- 2) Meaningful Access: arrange for people's access to assistance and services in proportion to need and without any barriers (e.g. discrimination). Pay special attention to individuals and groups who may be particularly vulnerable or have difficulty accessing assistance and services.
- 3) Participation and empowerment: support the development of self protection, capacities and assist people to claim their rights, including not exclusively the rights to shelter, food, water and sanitation, health, and education
- 4) Promoting risk assessment on explosive remnants of war hazards in targeted areas with UNMAS coordination
- 5) Equal opportunity for the beneficiaries

Source: Adapted from the Global Protection Cluster

Monitoring and evaluation

- 1) Hiring a special staff for monitoring, report, and evaluation
- 2) Monthly and quarterly reports
- 3) Field visits

Community Accountability Mechanisms

- 1) Accountability: set up appropriate mechanisms through which affected populations can measure the adequacy of interventions, and address concerns and complaints
- 2) Establishing a complaint monitoring system for the targeted communities
- 3) Community scorecards sessions will be implemented two times during the project. At the early stage of the project and towards and the end of the project. This will ensure high quality implementation of the services provided
- 4) Five local committees will be established in the five governorates

Indicators and targets

Indicators

For quality assurance concern:

OVI1: At least 75% of the quality criteria defined for personalized support are met by rehabilitation professionals

OVI2: At least 70% of rehabilitation professionals' practices from the targeted community service providers are following service quality criteria standards

For expected result 1:

OVI1: 1650 PwDs and elderly (800 female and 850 male) will be provided with MD rehabilitation support sessions in the targeted area (ARA)

OVI2: % of the targeted PwDs and elderly report their satisfaction with regard to the quality of services delivery

OVI3: % of assistive devices' beneficiaries (PwDs and elderly) report an improve movement in independency and participation in daily life.

OVI4: 70% of rehabilitation professionals from the targeted SPs are following the service delivery quality criteria standards

OVI5: At least 60 health care professionals and TOs demonstrate ability to conduct up to 30 community awareness raising workshops and on disability in the targeted areas

For expected result 2:

OVI1: 80% of targeted 30 DPO leaders are familiar with basic evacuation and emergency practices

OVI2: 70% of 150 members of the RN will provide a gap report on their preparedness plans

OVI3: 70% of organizations supported technically are able to identify inclusive emergency preparedness needs

Community Engagement

Elwafa Hospital and it's partners in this proposed action will apply a User Center Approach (UCA), which enables beneficiaries and their caregivers to effectively contribute to the intervention plans ensuring that they are tailored to their needs. This will foster collaboration and ownership over the rehabilitation goals set. Besides, the project will use a community based approach which will allow community engagement in the project implementation. Transparent and direct communication with the target communities will be pursued to ensure that beneficiaries can provide feedback about the quality of service provision. This will be facilitated by quarterly community meetings within referral networks and beneficiaries in the five governorates of Gaza strip and all the relevant stakeholders, partners and representative of the beneficiaries . A special focus will be placed in supporting women's involvement to ensure they are more active and "visible".

Feedback mechanisms exist through a Complaints System that was developed by Elwafa during previous projects and beneficiaries can freely access it and voice their concerns verbally or otherwise while ensuring confidentiality.

Ensure access to essential health services for the acutely vulnerable patients in Gaza including the provision of drugs, consumables, diagnostic services, improved screening, assistive devices

Project target

Indicator

of PwDs and elderly received health services including prevention, diagnosis , awareness and treatment

of acutely vulnerable elderly with access to health services (350)

For planning: set up of project steering committees, project steering tool, and risk assessment.

For monitoring: project quarterly reviews, monthly data collection, beneficiaries' database, administrative and financial tools, and self assessment.

For evaluation: satisfaction monitoring visits, and final participatory evaluations.

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