



Primary Health Care for Universal Health Coverage and Health Security in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

11 to 15 December 2022

Draft Concept Note

Background

On 12 December 2017, the United Nations officially designated 12 December as the International Universal Health Coverage (UHC) Day to commemorate the endorsement of a historic resolution in 2012 which urged all countries to accelerate progress toward UHC as an essential priority for international development.¹

UHC means that *all individuals and communities receive the health services they need in good quality and without suffering financial hardship.*² Achieving UHC is not a linear process and is highly contextual. However, one thing that remains largely undebatable is that UHC can only be achieved by reorienting health systems towards primary health care (PHC).^{3,4}

This has been attributed to the role of PHC in bringing services closer to people, promoting health, preventing disease, and advancing equity thus, increasing the early detection, treatment, and recovery from diseases.^{5,6} And so, countries may be able to avoid or postpone the need for more expensive services which increases the efficiency of the health system.⁷

COVID-19 has drawn attention to the role of PHC in responding to health emergencies with many countries noting that the majority of COVID-19 cases could be managed as outpatients with some intervention that is done at the primary care level.⁸

In line with the 2022 theme for this year's UHC day, "Build the World We Want: A Healthy Future for All", and to highlight and advocate for the role and contribution of PHC to UHC and health security, the UHC/Health Systems Department at the Regional Office of WHO for the Eastern Mediterranean (WHO EMRO) is proposing a range of activities in the week commencing 11 December 2022. All activities will occur in a meeting on **PHC for UHC and Health Security in EMR.**

This meeting is a joint work plan for PHC partners, as part of the Regional Health Alliance which aims to provide a platform for accessible, affordable, equitable, integrated, quality primary care and public health services for all. PHC partners include World Health Organization Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean (WHO-EMRO), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), the World Organization of Family Doctors (WONCA) and the Arab Board of Health Specializations (ABHS).

The meeting activities will emphasize WHO's recognition of PHC approach as the foundation for Universal Health Coverage and health security. Further to this, the activities will establish the link between PHC and the regional priorities outlined in RC69 paper on 'Building Resilient Health Systems to Advance UHC and Ensure Health Security in the Eastern Mediterranean Region'. Finally, this event will also serve as an opportunity to prepare for the UN High-Level Meeting on UHC which is scheduled to take place in 2023.

Meeting Sub-themes (Note: brief background on each sub-theme can be found in Annex I)

Moving towards achieving UHC and Health Security for All through seven regional priorities

Regional priorities for Building Resilient Health Systems to Advance UHC and Ensure Health Security in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

The link of PHC with the regional priorities:

1. Regional Priority 1: Strengthening HEDRM in line with the "Regional Plan of Action Ending the Pandemic and Preventing next Health Emergencies in EMR".
 - a. Health Systems Resilience: Conceptualization and Operationalization
2. Regional priority 2: Optimizing ministries of health and building institutions for public health
 - a. Ensuring integration of EPHF in all HSS efforts
 - b. Engaging the private sector for UHC and Health Security
 - c. Promoting development effectiveness
3. Regional priority 3: Establishing PHC-oriented models of care
 - a. The role of PHC in the response to COVID-19
 - b. Establishing PHC-oriented 'Models of Care'
 - c. Developing UHC-Priority Benefits Package
 - d. Monitoring and Evaluation
 - i. Primary Health Care Measurement and Improvement (PHCMI) Initiative
 - ii. Front Line Service Readiness Assessment and Pulse Survey
4. Regional priority 4: Enhancing and scaling up fit-for-purpose, fit-to-practice health workforce
 - a. Health workforce for delivery of Essential Public Health Functions
 - b. Initial findings of the mapping Family practice programmes in the EMR
 - c. "Call for Action" on the national recognition of the Regional Professional Diploma in Family Medicine
5. Regional priority 5: Promoting equity and enhancing financial protection
 - a. Increasing Financial Protection in the EMR: Insights from the Lancet Commission Report
 - b. The Egyptian Experience in increasing financing for health
 - c. Promoting development effectiveness
6. Regional priority 6: Improving access to medicines, vaccines and health products
 - a. Access to Medicines & Health Technologies in EMR
7. Regional Priority 7: Fostering an integrated approach in policy, planning and investments for long-term health systems resilience.
 - a. Regional Health Alliance Joining hands for PHC
 - b. EMRO Directors Panel: Building the World We Want, A Healthy Future for All

Objectives and Outcomes

Objectives

- Renew commitment towards achieving UHC and Health Security through the PHC approach and leveraging the learnings from COVID-19.
- Share country experiences and lessons learned from within and outside the Region on the role of PHC Response to COVID-19 and other health emergencies.
- Agree on the implementation agenda for seven Regional Priorities from RC69 paper.
- Highlight progress and achievements of various health initiatives in selected priority areas including:
 - Developing PHC-Oriented Models of Care in the EMR
 - Enhancing the role of public sector and engaging the Private Sector
 - Contextualizing a national and sub-national Priority Services for UHC (UHC Package)
 - Implementation of the Regional Professional Diploma for Family Medicine (RPD-FM)
 - Primary health Care Measurement and Improvement (PHCMI) Initiative
 - Health Workforce to provide essential public health functions
 - Improving equitable access to medicines and vaccines
 - Promoting development effectiveness for moving from support to strengthening of health systems.

Expected Outcomes

- Increased political commitment towards strengthening PHC for UHC and Health Security.
- A strategic approach for 'Making UHC Happen' in EMR
- A Regional UHC-Priority Benefit Package and an adaptation process.
- A roadmap on enhanced engagement of Private Sector towards PHC for UHC and Health Security.
- A strategic approach to promote national integration of Family Medicine Diploma program
- A "Call for Action" document to signal country level political commitment for RPD-FM.
- Increased commitments by national governments and GAP partners for development effectiveness.

Meeting Participants

Given the range of discussed topics, meeting participants can be divided into two groups as follows:

Participants	Role and Capacity
Participants who are expected to attend all meeting deliberations given their roles and responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – EMRO’s UHS Director and PHC team – PHC undersecretaries in EMR Ministries of Health – Health Systems Focal Points from the region – Representatives from WHO EMRO technical departments – Representatives of UNAIDS, UNFPA, UNHCR, UNICEF, WONCA and ABHS – Representatives of PHC special programme at HQ
Participants who are expected to contribute to selected sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Representatives of the Canadian Government and Belgian Government – WHO HQ Delivery for Impact team representatives – Representatives of the IHS department at WHO HQ – Private sector engagement staff at MOH – Private sector engagement leads at WHO HQ – Private sector engagement experts – Private sector representatives from Model of Care pilot countries – Development partners – USAID – PHC Response to COVID-19 Case Studies Principal Investigators – FSRA lead at WHO HQ – UHC-Package development experts – Steering Committee of the RPDFM – Regional Directors of GAP-1 partners – Egyptian Ministers of Health and Finance – Deputy Ministers of finance from selected EMR countries – Representatives of the International Finance Corporation, World Bank, Islamic Development Bank, Lancet Commission – WHO EMRO’s senior management – NGOs – Deputy Ministers of planning/ labor or their representatives from selected EMR countries – WHO representatives from the Model of Care pilot countries

Meeting Agenda

Format: Hybrid

Duration: 11 December – 15 December 2022

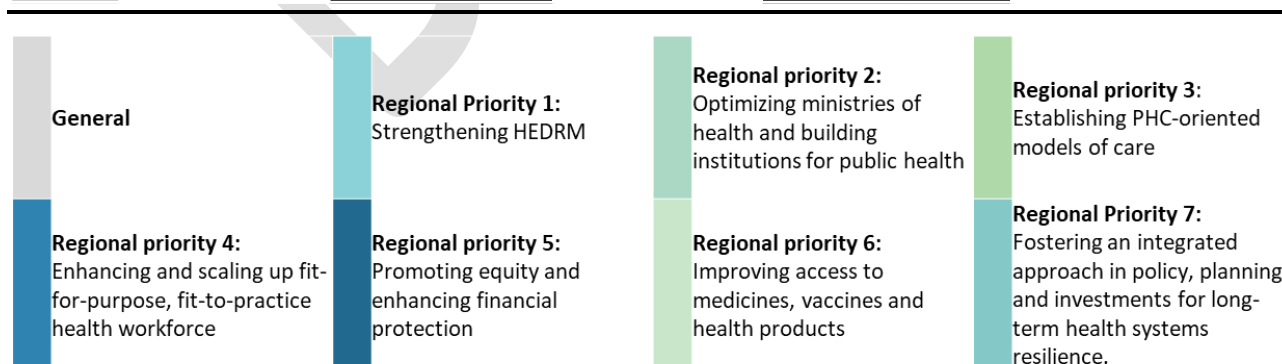
Venue: [Four Seasons at the First Residence, Cairo, Egypt](#)

Registration link:

https://who.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ntlK_5HEQReg7wNs85lvcQ

Overview:

PHC for UHC and Health Security													
	Sunday 11 December	Monday 12 December	Tuesday 13 December	Wednesday 14 December	Thursday 15 December								
09:00-09:30		Implementing PHC-oriented Models of care in EMR: Progress and challenges	Optimizing ministries of health and engaging the private sector for UHC and Health Security in EMR	Key Highlights: Primary Healthcare Measurement & Improvement Initiative	RPDFM Steering Committee Meeting (SC-RPDFM)	Challenges of implementing Regional Professional Diploma in family medicine at Country level	Financing primary health care: putting people at the centre - Insights from the Lancet Commission Report PHC Compact for UHC & HSc						
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13:00 - 13:30								Press conference	PHC for UHC and HSc in the context of Emergency	Lunch Break	FM Programmes: Mapping findings	Lunch Break	Lunch Break
13:30 - 14:00								Lunch Break	Lunch Break	Lunch Break			
14:00 - 14:30		Lunch Break	Developing and Implementing UHC-PBP	Health workforce to provide EPHFs'	SC- RPDFM	Youth Panel: The future of health systems in EMR Signing the call for action on national recognition of RPDFM							
14:30- 15:00	Opening session	UHC day celebration: Scoring Goals for Health											
15:00 - 15:30	Setting the Scene: EMRO's Approach to achieving UHC and Health Security through the 7 Regional Priorities outlined in RC69	Regional Health Alliance: Joining Hands for PHC					Access to Medicines & Health Technologies in EMR	Partnering with ABHS	Restructuring for Impact: Introducing UHC/HS Organogram				
15:30 - 16:00													
16:00 - 16:30													
16:30 - 17:00	Expanding UHC among Refugees and Migrants						Technical Working Group Meetings	Dinner					
17:00 - 17:30	The role of PHC in the response to COVID-19: case studies from the Region	Dinner											
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Note: Final speaker names are to be confirmed

Attendance modality

- P** Physically
- V** Virtually

B – Detailed Agenda

I- Sessions for all meeting participants

Sunday, 11 December 2022		
<i>Facilitated by: Dr Hassan Salah, Regional Advisor, Primary and Community Health Care, WHO/EMRO</i>		
Time	Topic	Speaker
15:00-15:15	Opening session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Ahmed Al Mandhari, Regional Director, WHO EMRO (P) • Dr Rana Hajjeh, Director, Programme Management, WHO EMRO (P) • Dr Suraya Dalil, Director, PHC SP, WHO HQ (P)
15:15-15:35	Keynote speech: PHC for UHC and Health Security: Lessons from the Lancet Commission	Keynote speaker: Professor Kara Hanson, LSHTM (P)
Setting the Scene: EMRO's Approach to achieving UHC and Health Security through the 7 Regional Priorities outlined in RC69 Facilitated by: Dr Shannon Barkley, UHC Health Policy Adviser, Palestine WCO		
15:35-15:55	[Presentation] Setting the Scene: EMRO's Approach to achieving UHC and Health Security through the 7 Regional Priorities outlined in RC69	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Awad Mataria, Director, UHS, WHO EMRO (P) • Dr Richard Brennan, Director, WHE, WHO EMRO (P)
15:55-16:05	[Presentation] Health Systems Resilience: Conceptualization and Operationalization	Dr David Bishai, Professor, Bloomberg School of Public Health, Johns Hopkins University (P)
16:05-16:15	[Presentation] What does UHC mean in the context of emergency?	Prof Karl Blanchet, Director, Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies, Academic Director of InZone (V)
16:15-17:00	[Panel discussion] Examples of good practice/country experience in relation to the seven regional priorities	Moderator: Dr Rudi Eggers, Director, UHC/IHS, WHO HQ (P) Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional priority 1: Dr Mohamed Jama, Senior policy advisor, Ministry of Health,

		<p>Federal Government of Somalia (P)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional priority 2: Dr Randa Hamadeh, Head of the Primary Healthcare and Social Health Department and the Ministry of Public Health in Lebanon (V) • Regional priority 3: Dr Zafar Mirza, Prof of Health System & Population Health School of Universal Health Coverage Global Institute of Human Development, Shifa Tameer-e-Millat University, Islamabad (P) • Regional priority 4: Dr Hossein Farshidi, Deputy Minister for Public Health (P) • Regional priority 5: Dr Asma Fikri, Research & Development Expert, MOHP, UAE (P) • Regional priority 6: Dr. Magdy Bakr is the advisor of the Egypt Healthcare Authority Chairman on Technical Affairs & WHO Health System Consultant (P) • Regional Priority 7: Dr Alissar Rady, Team Lead, Lebanon WCO (P)
17:00-17:10	[TEDTalk & Infographic] PHC for UHC Week	Dr Hassan Salah, Regional Advisor, Primary and Community Health Care, WHO/EMRO (P)
17:10 -17:30	Coffee Break	
<p>Partners in action to expand UHC among refugees and migrants: good practices, challenges, and way forward</p> <p>Facilitated by: Dr Ali Ardalan, Regional Advisor, HSE, WHO/EMRO</p>		
17:30-17:34	Setting the scene, objectives and expected outcome	Dr Ali Ardalan, Regional Advisor, HSE, WHO/EMRO (P)
17:34-17:41	[Presentation] Overview of evidence at global and regional levels on UHC coverage among refugees and migrants	Dr Jocelyn DeJong, Professor, Faculty of Health Sciences, American University of Beirut (V)
17:41-18:11	[Panel discussion] Partners in action to expand UHC among refugees and migrants: good practices, challenges, and way forward	<p>Moderator: Dr Ali Ardalan, Regional Advisor, HSE, WHO/EMRO (P)</p> <p>Panelists:</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Santino Severoni, Director of Migration Health Program, WHO HQ (V) • Dr Chiaki Ito, Senior Regional Migration Health Specialist, IOM MENA Regional Office (P) • Dr. Akihiro Seita, Director of Health Programme, UNRWA - (P) • Ms Rachel Manning, Strategic Partnership Adviser, UNHCR Regional Bureau for the Middle East and North Africa (V) • Dr Tonia Rifaey, Technical Officer, Refugee and Migrant Health, WHO EMRO (V)
18:11-18:15	Conclusion and closing remarks	Dr Awad Mataria, Director, UHC/Health Systems, WHO EMRO (P)
<p>The Role of PHC in the Response to COVID-19: Case Studies from the Region Facilitated by: Aya Thabet, Technical Officer, WHO/EMRO</p>		
18:15-18:20	[Infographic and TEDTalk] What is the importance of focusing on PHC response to COVID-19?	Dr Awad Mataria, Director UHC/HS, WHO/EMRO (P)
18:20-18:30	[Presentation] PHC and COVID-19 Country Case Studies: Objectives, Deliverables, and the Global research Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Robert Marten, Strategy and Partnership Officer, HSR, WHO/HQ (P) • Dr Alex Edelman, Health Systems Researcher, HSR, WHO/HQ (P)
18:30-18:40	[Presentation] Preliminary Case Study Synthesis	<p>Dr Hassan Salah, Regional Advisor, Primary and Community Health Care, WHO/EMRO (P)</p> <p>Guided intervention: Fadi El-Jardali, Professor of Health Policy and Systems, AUB (P)</p>
18:40-19:25	[Panel discussion] Country learnings and practices	<p>Moderator: Ms Hagar Azab, PHC consultant, WHO/EMRO (P)</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Ahmed Shah Salehi, Principal Investigator of Afghanistan (P) • Dr Amirhossein Takian, Principal Investigator of I.R. Iran (P)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Asma Fikri, Principal Investigator of UAE (P) • Dr Goran Zangana, Principal Investigator of Iraq (P) • Dr Ibrahim Abdelrahim, Principal Investigator of Sudan (P) • Prof. Dr Maha El Rabbat, Principal Investigator of Egypt (P)
19:25-19:30	Key messages and the way forward	Ms Hagar Azab, PHC Consultant, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO (P)

Monday, 12 December 2022		
<i>Facilitated by: Dr Faraz Khalid, Research Officer, PHC, WHO HQ</i>		
Time	Topic	Speaker
09:00-09:05	Project overall meeting roadmap and how the sessions of the day link to the overall theme	Dr Faraz Khalid, Research Officer, PHC, WHO HQ (P)
Implementing PHC-oriented Models of care in EMR: Progress and challenges <i>Facilitated by: Dr Faraz Khalid, Research Officer, PHC, WHO HQ</i>		
09:05-09:10	[Remarks] Setting the scene: PHC-Oriented Health Systems	Dr Suraya Dalil, Director, PHC SP, WHO HQ (P)
09:10-09:20	[TEDTalk] Framing the PHC-Oriented Models of Care within the context of achieving UHC	Dr Rudi Eggers, Director, IHS, WHO HQ (P)
09:20-09:23	[Infographic] Framing the PHC-Oriented Models of Care within the context of achieving UHC	
09:23-09:33	[Presentation] Highlights of WHO EMRO's Models of Care Strategic Paper	Dr Toby Kasper, Consultant, WHO EMRO (TBC)
9:33-9:43	[Presentation] The Role of Hospitals within PHC-Oriented Models of Care	Dr Hamid Ravaghi, Regional advisor, HCM, EMRO (P)
9:43-9:53	[Presentation] Quality of services in PHC-oriented models of care	Dr Salem Al Wahabi, Director General, Saudi Central Board for Accreditation of Healthcare Institutions (CBAHI) (P) Guided intervention Dr Mondher Letaief, Regional Advisor, Quality and Patient Safety, WHO EMRO (P)
9:53-10:10	Coffee break	
10:10-10:20	[TEDTalk] Importance of Delivery Planning	Dr Pavel Ursu, Director, DFI, WHO HQ (P)

10:20-10:30	[Presentation] Launching of 'Models of Care Development Guidance' Document	Dr Teri Reynolds, CSY Unit Head, IHS, WHO HQ (P)
10:30-11:00	[Presentation] MoC Planning and Implementation: EMR pilot country experiences	<p>Moderator: Ms Hagar Azab, PHC Consultant, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO (P)</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Ali Shirazi, Coordinator, Health Systems, Pakistan WCO (P) • Dr Nadim Dawoud, Palestine WCO (P) • Dr Imadeldin Ismail, National Professional Officer, Sudan WCO (P)
11:00-11:40	[Guided interventions/panel] Orienting MoC Components to the PHC Approach	<p>Moderator: Dr Faraz Khalid, Research Officer, PHC, WHO HQ (P)</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Nuria Toro Polanco, Technical Officer, IHS, WHO HQ (V) • Dr Ann-Lise Guisset, Technical Officer, IHS, WHO HQ (V) • Dr Samar Elfeky, Regional Advisor, HPD, WHO EMRO (P) • Dr Lamiaa Mahmoud, Regional Adviser, WHO/EMRO (P)
11:40-11:45	Key messages and the way forward	Ms Hagar Azab, PHC Consultant, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO (P)
11:45-11:47	[Infographic] Celebrating UHC day	
<p>UHC Hard Talk</p> <p>Facilitated by: Dr Awad Mataria, Director UHC/HS, WHO/EMRO</p>		
11:47-12:10	Setting the scene: UHC is possible	Keynote Speaker: Professor Rifat Atun, Director, Health Systems Innovation Lab, Harvard University (V)
12:10-12:20	[Presentation]: Making UHC happen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Awad Mataria, Director UHC/HS, WHO/EMRO (P) • Mr Richard Gregory, Executive Officer, WHO/HQ (TBC)
12:20-12:45	[Panel Discussion]: Making UHC happen	Moderator: Dr Pavel Ursu, Director, DFI, WHO/HQ (P)

		<p>Panelists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor Rifat Atun, Director, Health Systems Innovation Lab, Harvard University (V) • Ms Gabriela Cuevas Barron, Co-Chair, UHC2030 Steering Committee (P/V) • Ms Sanaa Belabbes, Association de lutte contre le SIDA, Morocco (V)
<p>PHC for UHC and Health Security in the context of Emergency Facilitated by: Dr Ali Ardalán, Regional Advisor, HSE, WHO/EMRO</p>		
12:45-12:50	Setting the scene, objectives and expected outcome	Dr Ali Ardalán, Regional Advisor, HSE, WHO/EMRO (P)
12:50-13:25	Example from Afghanistan	<p>Moderator: Dr Ali Ardalán, Regional Adviser, WHO EMRO (P)</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Richard Brennan, Director, Health Emergencies Programme, WHO EMRO (P) • Ms Fouzia Shafique, Principal Advisor / Chief of Health, UNICEF Afghanistan (V) • Dr Abdul Ghani Ibrahim, Health System Strengthening Manager (P) • Dr Andre Griekspoor, Senior Policy Adviser, WHO HQ (P) • Dr Habibullah Ahmadzai, Health Specialist, World Bank Afghanistan (V)
13:25- 13:30	Closing Remarks	Dr Awad Mataria, Director, UHC/ Health Systems (UHS), WHO EMRO (P)
13:30- 14:30	Lunch break	
<p>UHC day celebration - Scoring goals for health Facilitated by: Dr Hassan Salah, Regional Advisor, Primary and Community Health Care, WHO/EMRO</p>		
14:30-15:10	Recognition of EMRO's former Health Systems Directors	<p>Opening Remarks: Dr Ahmed Al Mandhari, Regional Director, WHO EMRO (P)</p> <p>Former Directors, UHC/ Health Systems (UHS), WHO EMRO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Omer Imam (P)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Elsheikh Mahgoub (P) • Dr Enaam Abu Youssef (P) • Dr Ala Alwan (TBC) • Dr Belgacem Sabri (P) • Dr Ibrahim Abdelrahim (P) • Dr Sameen Siddiqi (P) • Dr Zafar Mirza (P) <p>Former SAA, UHC/ Health Systems (UHS), WHO EMRO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs Lili Soliman • Mrs. Hanaa Ghoniem • Mrs Omneya Mahmoud
15:10-15:30	Coffee break	
15:30-16:10	<p>[Panel discussion] <i>Building the World We Want, A Healthy Future for All</i></p>	<p>Moderator: Dr Pavel Ursu, Director, DFI, WHO HQ (TBC)</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Awad Mataria, Director, UHC/ Health Systems (UHS), WHO EMRO(P) • Dr Arash Rashidian, Director, Science, Information and Dissemination, WHO EMRO (P) • Dr Maha El Adawy, Director, Healthier Populations (V) • Dr Richard Brennan, Director, Health Emergencies Programme, WHO EMRO (P) • Dr Yvan Hutin, Director, UHC/ Communicable Diseases, WHO EMRO (P) • Dr Asmus Hammerich, Director, UHC/ Non-Communicable Diseases and Mental Health, WHO EMRO (P) • Ms Mira Kristina Ihalainen, Director, Communications, Resource Mobilization & Partnership, WHO EMRO (P)
Regional Health Alliance Joining hands for PHC Facilitated by: Dr Jamal Nasher, Coordinator, SDG/ Gender, Equity and Human Rights		
16:10-17:00	<p>[Guided interventions/panel] Regional Health Alliance: Successful Country Experiences in Health Systems Strengthening and pursuing UHC</p>	<p>Moderator: Dr Christoph Hamelmann, Chef de Cabinet, WHO EMRO (P)</p>

		<p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr Srihari Dutta, Health Specialist (Primary Health Care & Immunization), Regional Office for the Middle East & North Africa, UNICEF (P)• Mr. Amit Dhungel, Reproductive Health and contraceptive commodity security Specialist at UNFPA ASRO (P)• Dr Walid Ibrahim, Country Manager, Egypt, UNAIDS (P)• Dr Jakob Arhem, Public Health Officer, UNHCR (P)• Dr Nagwa Nashaat, General Secretary, Eastern Mediterranean Region, WONCA (P)• Dr Elsheikh Badr, Chairperson, Community Medicine Council, Arab Board of Health Specializations (P)
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Tuesday, 13 December 2022		
Time	Topic	Speaker
Optimizing ministries of health and engaging the private sector for UHC and Health Security in EMR <i>Facilitated by: Mr David Clarke, Unit Head a.i., Health System's Governance and Policy, WHO/HQ</i>		
9:00-9:05	Project overall meeting roadmap and how the sessions of the day link to the overall theme	Mr David Clarke, Unit Head a.i., Health System's Governance and Policy, WHO/HQ (P)
Where do we want to go?		
9:05-9:25	[Vignette and Presentation]: Setting the scene: Governance of mixed health systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Governments as stewards of the whole health system - Reflecting on governance challenges during COVID, how they affected the response and what it means for post COVID rebuilding - Required governance roles and capacities of the Ministries of Health 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Maryam Bigdeli, WHO Representative, Morocco (P) • Dr Walid Ammar, Director of the Doctorate and Research in Public Health Program at the Higher Institute of Public Health, Université St Joseph Beyrouth (P)
9:25-9:35	[TEDTalk and Presentation]: The effective engagement of the private sector in health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What do we mean by the effective engagement of the private sector in health? - Myths and Facts about private sector engagement - The need to strengthen the public sector for effective private sector engagement 	Professor Venkat A. Raman, University of Delhi (P)
Where are we?		
9:35-9:45	[Vignette and Presentation] The contribution of the PHS to service provision and PSE status in COVID response in the EMR? - Highlights of the regional assessments	Dr Hassan Salah, Regional Advisor, Primary and Community Health Care, WHO/EMRO (P)
9:45-10:20	[Vignette and Panel discussion] Country reflections: Public- Private Sector Engagement Challenges and Opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What are the challenges facing PSE in the region? - How did the challenges reflect on COVID-19 response? - What does the private sector need from governments to be an effective partner? 	<p>Moderator: Dr Hala Abou Taleb, Regional Adviser, a.i. Health Systems Governance, UHC/HS, WHO/EMRO (P)</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Inés Ayadi, Professor of Health Economy at Sfax University, Tunisia (P) • Dr Jafar Sadegh Tabrizi, Professor of health services management, Tabriz Medical Sciences, University of Iran (TBC) • Mr Temitayo Erogbogbo, Director, Multilateral Organization Engagement and

		<p>Global Advocacy Lead, MSD for Mothers, Merck & Co (V)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Zhehat Adulwahed Yaseen, Quality pharmacist and administrative manager, Catheterization Laboratory (C.L.) Company, Iraq (V) • Dr Nevine Dous, Health Specialist and OIC, CSD Section, UNICEF Egypt Country Office (P) • Dr Randa Hamadeh, Head of the Primary Healthcare and Social Health Department and the Ministry of Public Health in Lebanon (V)
10:20-10:40	Q.&A.	
10:45-11:10	Coffee break	
How to get there?		
11:10-11:25	<p>[Presentation]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introducing WHO EMRO Position Paper on Engaging with the Private Health Sector to Advance Universal Health Coverage and Health Security • Briefing on WHO strategy on Engaging the private health service delivery sector through governance in mixed health systems • Briefing on the Maturity Model 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aya Thabet, Technical Officer, WHO (P) • David Clarke, Unit Head a.i., Health System’s Governance and Policy, WHO/HQ (P)
11:25-11:35	Modes of partnering with the private sector in health	Catherine Goodman, Professor, health economics and policy, LSHTM (P)
11:35-11:45	Briefing on the Country Connector on the Private Sector in Health and OpenWHO course	David Clarke, Unit Head a.i., Health System’s Governance and Policy, WHO/HQ (P)
11:45-12:05	Q&A	
12:05-12:25	<p>[Panel discussion]</p> <p>How different EMR programmes are engaging with the PS in health? - 5 min each</p> <p><i>- Highlights of the regional assessment on the role of the PS in the provision of EHS + Country case studies</i></p>	<p>Moderator: Dr Yvan Hutin, Director, DCD, WHO EMRO (P)</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Hoda Youssef Atta, Coordinator, HIV, TB, Malaria and Tropical Diseases, EMRO (P)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Khalid Saeed, Regional Adviser, Mental Health and Neurological Disorders, EMRO (P) • Dr Hala Sakr, Regional Adviser, WHO EMRO (TBC) • Dr Ayoub Al-Jawaldeh, Regional Adviser Nutrition, EMRO (P)
12:25-12:45	Q&A	
12:45-12:55	[Focus time]: Needed support from EMRO's different technical departments, HQ and GAP partners (form to be filled in by participants)	
12:55-13:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What is required from your side? - Wrap up (key messages and way forward) 	Aya Thabet, Technical Officer, WHO (P)
13:00-14:00	Lunch break	
Developing and Implementing UHC-Packages Facilitated by: Dr Deena Al Asfoor, Consultant, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO		
14:00-14:03	Short video on UHC-Package	
14:03-14:15	[Presentation] Launch of the service delivery and implementation toolkit	Dr Teri Reynolds, CSY Unit Head, IHS, WHO HQ (P)
14:15-14:25	[Presentation] Developing packages of services for Universal Health Coverage (UHC-Package)	Dr Deena Al Asfoor, Consultant, WHO EMRO (P)
14:25-15:10	<p>[Presentation] Country experiences in developing UHC-Packages: Process, achievements and challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of UHC-Package in Afghanistan • Review of UHC-Package in Yemen • Review of UHC-Package in Pakistan • Development of UHC-Package in Sudan 	<p>Moderator: Dr Teri Reynolds, CSY Unit Head, IHS, WHO HQ (P)</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Najibullah Safi, WCO, Afghanistan (P) • Dr Nicole Sarkis, Project manager, Emergency health and nutrition, Yemen, WCO (P) • Dr Mohammed Musa, PBP focal point, Sudan (P) • Dr Ali Shirazi, health systems coordinator, WCO, Pakistan (P)
15:10-15:55	<p>[Panel discussion]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the current and perceived challenges to developing country-specific UHC-Packages. • How can we integrate linkages with the models of care and implementation 	<p>Moderator: Dr Teri Reynolds, CSY Unit Head, IHS, WHO HQ (P)</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Mohamed Jama, Senior policy advisor, Ministry of

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The role of WHO and countries in pushing the UHC-Package agenda forward. • Q & A 	<p>Health, Federal Government of Somalia (P)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr John Fogarty, Technical Officer, IHS/CS, WHO/HQ (P) • Dr Najibullah Safi, National Professional Officer, Afghanistan (P) • Dr Imadeldin Ismail, National Professional Officer, Sudan WCO (P)
15:55-16:00	Way forward and Key messages	Dr Deena Al Asfoor, Consultant, WHO EMRO (P)
16:00-16:15	Coffee break	
<p>Access to Medicines & Health Technologies in EMR: Strengthening National Regulatory Authorities to ensure the quality, safety and efficacy of health products <i>Facilitated by: Dr Adi Al-Nuseirat, Technical Officer, Access to Pharmaceuticals, WHO/ EMRO</i></p>		
16:15-16:30	[Presentation] Implementing the regional strategy to improve access to medicines and vaccines as a precursor to applying the PHC approach in EMR.	Dr Adi Al-Nuseirat, Technical Officer, Access to Pharmaceuticals, WHO/ EMRO (P)
16:30-16:45	[Presentation] Ensuring the quality, safety and efficacy of vaccines: EDA Experience.	Dr Engy Mohamed El Hosary , Head of CA of biological, innovative products & clinical studies, Egyptian Drug Authority (P)
16:45-17:00	Q & A	
<p>Working Group breakouts <i>Facilitated by: Hoda Hassan, Consultant, WHO/EMRO</i></p>		
17:00-17:10	Presentation on PHC monitoring and evaluation indicators	Hoda Khaled, Consultant, WHO/EMRO (P)
17:10-19:00	Seven working groups on operationalizing the seven regional priorities	UHS Regional advisors Hoda Khaled, Consultant, WHO/EMRO (P)

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9:00-9:05	Project overall meeting roadmap and how the sessions of the day link to the overall theme	Ms Hagar Azab, PHC Consultant, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO (P)
Primary Health Care Measurement and Improvement: Distilling Lessons Learned and Moving towards Improvement <i>Facilitated by: Ms Hagar Azab, PHC Consultant, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO</i>		
9:05-9:20	[Presentation] New approach to Health System Performance framework	Dr Kira Koch, Technical officer, WHO-HQ (P)
9:20-9:35	[Presentation] Health System for Health Security Framework	Dr Nirmal Kandel, Unit Head, Evidence and Analytics for Health Security, WHO-HQ (V)
9:35-9:50	[TEDTalk] Measuring to Improve: Leadership Reflections	Dr Arash Rashidian, Director SID, WHO EMRO (P)
9:50-10:05	[Presentation] Linking PHCMI to the Primary health care measurement framework and indicators	Dr Dirk Horeman, Programme officer, HSA, WHO-HQ (P)
10:05-10:10	[Infographic] PHCMI: Distilling Lessons Learned and Moving towards Improvement	
10:10-10:25	[Presentation] Primary Health Care Measurement and Improvement Initiative (PHCMI): Synthesis of Findings, Lessons Learned, and Linkages to other Regional Efforts towards implementing the PHC approach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Hagar Azab, PHC Consultant, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO (P) Dr Karen Kinder, Consultant, WHO EMRO (P)
10:25-10:45	[Q&A] Reflections from the Audience	Moderated by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr Faraz Khalid, Research Officer, PHC, WHO HQ (P) Impact for Health International (V)
10:45-10:55	[Presentation] Non-communicable Diseases in Primary Health Care	Dr Bente Mikkelsen, Director NCD, WHO HQ
10:55-11:00	Key messages and the way forward	Ms Hagar Azab, PHC Consultant, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO (P)
11:00-11:30	Coffee break	
Using evidence to inform health system rebuilding <i>Facilitated by: Dr Deena Al Asfoor, Consultant, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO</i>		
11:30-11:35	Opening Remarks	Dr Lulwa Rashid Al-Showaiter, Chief medical services, Acting CEO for PHC, Bahrain (P)
11:35-11:45	[Presentation] Monitoring health systems	Dr Dirk Horeman, Programme officer, HSA, WHO-HQ (P)

11:45-11:55	[Presentation] Strengthening Hospital Resilience in the EMR	Dr Hamid Ravaghi, Regional advisor, HCM, WHO EMRO (P)
11:55-12:05	[Presentation] Insights from Afghanistan	Dr Narges Neyazi, National Professional Officer, Afghanistan WCO (V)
12:05-12:15	[Presentation] Insights from Libya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Maryam Zayed, Community Medicine Specialist, University of Tripoli (P) • Dr Hisham Gdara, Head of ICO/ PHCI, Libya (P)
12:15-12:25	[Presentation] Insights from Iran	Dr Elham Ahmadnezhad, Associate Professor of Epidemiology, Director on Health System Observatory Secretariat (P)
12:25-12:55	[Panel Discussion] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The process: Challenges of monitoring and understanding the health system gaps. • Use of the data to inform policies: country experiences and challenges. • How can countries improve resilience in health systems? • What is the role of digital health in supporting evidence? • What are the knowledge gaps? • What is the role of WHO in supporting countries? 	Moderator: Dr Deena Al Asfoor, Consultant, EMRO (P) Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Dirk Horemans, Programme Officer, HSA, WHO HQ (P) • Dr Hamid Ravaghi, Regional advisor, HCM, EMRO (P) • Dr Elham AhmadNezhad, Associate Professor of Epidemiology, Director of Health System Observatory (P) • Dr Maryam Zayed, Community Medicine Specialist, University of Tripoli (P) • Dr Abdulghani, National Professional Officer, Afghanistan WCO (P)
12:55-13:00	Key messages	Dr Deena Al Asfoor, Consultant, WHO EMRO (P)
Initial findings of mapping Family practice programmes in EMR <i>Facilitated by Dr Saeed Soliman, Consultant, WHO EMRO</i>		
13:00-13:15	[Presentation] Initial findings of the mapping Family practice programme in the EMR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Saeed Soliman, Consultant, WHO EMRO (P) • Dr Mona Osman, Assistant professor of family medicine, AUB (P)
13:15-13:30	Discussion	
13:30-14:30	Lunch Break	
Public health professionals for delivery of EPHFs in EMR <i>Facilitated by: Dr Gulin Gedik, Coordinator, Health Workforce, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO</i>		

14:30-14:45	Introductory remarks	Dr Rana Hajjeh, Director, Programme Management, WHO EMRO (TBC)
	An overview of Essential Public Health Functions in EMR	Dr Hala Abou Taleb, Regional Adviser, a.i. Health Systems Governance, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO (P)
14:45-15:00	Essential Public Health Functions Competency Framework: Competent health workers to perform EPHFs	Dr Gulin Gedik, Coordinator, Health Workforce, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO (P)
15:00-15:45	[Panel discussion] Health workforce for EPHFs in EMRO: Challenges, opportunities, and future actions	<p>Moderator: Dr Neil Squires, <i>Director of Global Health Operations, UK Health Security Agency (V)</i></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Sabeen Afzal, Deputy Director Health Programs, Ministry of National Health Services, Regulation and Coordination, Pakistan • Dr Rowaida Al Maaitha, <i>President, Board of Trustees at Yarmouk University, Consultant for HRH Princess Muna El-Hussein for Health and Social Development, Professor at Jordan University of Science and Technology (P)</i> • Dr Richard Brennan, Director, WHE, WHO EMRO (P) • Dr. Hussein Farshidi, Deputy Minister for Public Health, Iran • Dr. Kawther Mahmoud, President of Nursing Syndicate Egypt and Egyptian Senate Member, the Under Secretary of Nursing at Egypt Ministry of Health and Population
15:45-16:00	Discussion	
16:00-16:15	Coffee break	
16:15-16:30	Overview on public health professionals in the Eastern Mediterranean Region	Professor Iman Nuwayhid, Faculty of Health Sciences, American University of Beirut (V)

<p>16:30-17:10</p>	<p>[Panel discussion] How to strengthen public health professionals in EMR?</p>	<p>Moderator: Dr Sameen Siddiqi, Professor and Chair, Department of Community Health Sciences, Aga Khan University (P)</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Haitham Bashier, <i>Executive Director, International Academy of Public Health (IAPH) Workforce Capacity Team Leader, Executive Director, Eastern Mediterranean Public Health Network (EMPHNET)</i> (P) • Prof Salman Rawaf, President, <i>Arab Public Health Association</i> (P) • Dr Elsheikh Badr, Chairperson, Community Medicine Council, ABHS, Advisor, National Institute for Health Specialties UAE (P) • Dr Yvan Hutin, Director Communicable Diseases, WHO/EMRO
<p>17:10-17:30</p>	<p>Discussion</p>	
<p>17:30-17:35</p>	<p>The way forward and closing of the session</p>	<p>Dr Awad Mataria, Director, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO (P)</p>

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9:00-9:05	Project overall meeting roadmap and how the sessions of the day link to the overall theme	Dr Ahmed Khalifa, Health Economist, Egypt WCO
<p align="center">Financing primary health care: putting people at the centre Insights from the Lancet Commission Report <i>Facilitated by: Dr Ahmed Khalifa, Health Economist, Egypt WCO</i></p>		
9:05-9:15	Insights from The Lancet Global Health Commission on financing primary health care: putting people at the centre	Mr Joseph Douglas Kutzin, Unit Head, Health Financing, WHO/HQ (P)
9:15-10:10	[Panel Discussion] Reflections and Implications of Lancet Commission Report on the Region	<p>Moderated by: Mr Joseph Douglas Kutzin, Unit Head, Health Financing, WHO HQ (P)</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Maryam Bigdeli, WHO Representative, Morocco (P) • Dr Majd Basim, Family Medicine Specialist and head of the Neonatal and child health programme, Public Health Division (P) • Dr Osama Elshafie, Director General of Public Health Institute, Sudan (P)
PHC Compact for UHC and Health Security		
10:10-10:25	Introducing the PHC Compact for UHC and Health Security Focusing on improving the development effectiveness in the health sector in the Eastern Mediterranean Region	Dr Chaudhri Ahmad, Regional Adviser, WHO EMRO (P)
<p align="center">Investing in UHC and health security: Sharing partner perspectives on financing PHC <i>Facilitated by: Ms Yousra Bagadi, Resource Mobilization Officer, EMRO</i></p>		
10:25-11:15	[Panel Discussion] Financing for UHC and health security	<p>Moderator: Mr Shamsuzzoha Babar Syed, Unit Head, WHO HQ (P)</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Reem Hafez, Senior Health Economist, World Bank (V) • Mr Ammar Abdo Ahmed, Global Lead Health Sector, IsDB (P) • Mr Michael Borowitz, Head of the Strategic Investment and

		Partnerships Department, Global Fund (V) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hannes Dekeyser, Community Building & Social Development – Health Desk, Belgian Government (V)
11:15- 11:30	Coffee Break	
Universal Health Insurance for Universal Health Coverage: Sharing the Egyptian Experience <i>Facilitated by: Dr Awad Mataria, Director, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO</i>		
11:30-11:37	Opening reflections	Dr Ahmed Al Mandhari Regional Director, WHO EMRO (P)
11:37-12:30	Roundtable <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financing for Health with a focus on PHC The Egyptian experience in increasing budget allocation for Health through the new HI scheme 	Introductory remarks: Dr Ahmed Khalifa, Health Economist, Egypt WCO (P) Moderator: Dr Awad Mataria, Director, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO (P) Panelists <ul style="list-style-type: none"> H.E. Dr Khaled AbdelGhaffar, Minister of Health and Population, Egypt (P) H.E. Dr Mohamed Maait, Minister of Finance, Egypt H.E. Dr Hala El-Said, Minister of Planning & Economic Development, Egypt Dr Naeema Al-Gasseer, WHO Representative in Egypt (P) Guided interventions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr Ahmed El-Sobky, Assistant Minister of Health and Population, Chairman for General Authority of Health Care and Supervisor of the Universal Health Insurance (P) Dr Mai Farid, Assistant Minister & Executive director Economic Justice Unit, Ministry of Finance, Acting Chief Executive Officer, Universal Health Insurance Authority (P) Dr Tamer Essam, Chairman of Egyptian Drug Authority HQ (P)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Hossam Abdel Ghaffar, Secretary General for University Teaching Hospitals (TBC) • Mr Joseph Douglas Kutzin, Unit Head, Health Financing, WHO/HQ (P) • Mr Idrissa Dia, Director, Economic & Social Infrastructure Global Practices Department, IsDB, Jeddah, KSA (V)
12:30-12:55	Q&A	
12:55-13:00	Key takeaways	Mr Henrick Axelson, Consultant, WHO/EMRO (P)
13:00-14:00	Group Photo and Lunch Break	
Youth Panel: The future of health systems in EMR <i>Facilitated by: Dr Awad Mataria, Director, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO</i>		
14:00-14:30	The future of health systems in EMR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arwa Hany, President, International Federation of Medical Students' Associations (P) • Representative from one of IFMSA National Member Organizations (TBC)
Signing the call for action on the national recognition of RPDFM <i>Facilitated by: Dr Hassan Salah, PHC Regional Advisor, Team Lead, Access to Health Services, WHO EMRO</i>		
14:30-14:40	Introduction	Dr Hassan Salah, PHC Regional Advisor, Team Lead, Access to Health Services, WHO EMRO (P)
14:40-15:10	Keynote speeches	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Ahmed Al Mandhari, Regional Director and steering committee chairman, WHO (P) • Ms Hend Sabri, Actress and WFP Goodwill Ambassador (V) • Dr Anna Stavdal, World president (WONCA) (P)
15:10-15:30	Recognition of Family Medicine and PHC Pioneers in EMR Dr. Kashif Jan, Pakistan Dr. Mohamed Rasool Tarawneh, Jordan Dr. Nezar Taib, Iraq Mr. Said Wahdani	

	Dr. Samar Musmar, Palestine	
15:30-16:00	Ceremonial signing session and group photo	
16:00-16:30	Coffee break – To precede the closed session for WHO EMRO	

II- Closed sessions

Date: Sunday 11 December 2022 Time: 13:00 – 14:00 Participants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Press - SCH/CRP representatives - Identified panelists 		
Press conference		
13:00-14:00	<i>UHC Day 2022: Building the World We Want, A Healthy Future for All</i>	Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Ahmed Al Mandhari, Regional Director, WHO EMRO (P) • Dr Rana Hajjeh, Director, Programme Management, WHO EMRO (P) • Dr Suraya Dalil, Director, PHC SP, WHO HQ (P) • Dr Awad Mataria, Director, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO (P)
Date: Wednesday 14 December 2022 Time: 09:00 – 15:30 Participants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Members of the Steering Committee of the Regional Professional Diploma in Family Medicine - Selected Technical staff from UHS/EMRO 		
RPDFM Steering Committee meeting <i>Facilitated by: Dr Hassan Salah, Regional Advisor, Primary and Community Health Care, WHO/EMRO</i>		
9:00-9:20	Opening Remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Ahmed Al Mandhari Regional Director, WHO EMRO (P) • Dr Omar Al Rawas, Secretary General, ABHS (P)
9:20-10:05	[Presentation] Implementation process and challenges through ABHS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Mona Osman: information sessions, curriculum, Tutors (P) • Dr Saeed Soliman: IT, Facebook promotion, registration system (P) • Dr Nagwa Nashaat: curriculum revision, tutors' training (P)

10:05-10:15	[Presentation] Approach to country level recognition: what does it mean and what are the challenges?	Dr Elsheikh Badr, Chairperson, Community Medicine Council, ABHS (P)
10:15-11:10	[Open Discussion] Ask the Experts Main challenges facing implementation and country level recognition	Moderated by: Dr Hassan Salah, PHC Regional Advisor, Team Lead, Access to Health Services, WHO EMRO (P)
11:10-11:15	Key Action points for discussion 1:	Dr Saeed Soliman RPD-FM Focal person, WHO EMRO (P)
11:15-11:45	Coffee break	
11:45-12:45	[Open Discussion] Ask the Experts Organizational collaboration for the RPDFM, other topics	Moderated by: Dr Elsheikh Badr, head of strategy office ABHS (P)
12:45-13:00	Key Action points for discussion 2: Organizational collaboration for the RPDFM, other topics	Dr Saeed Soliman RPD-FM Focal person, WHO EMRO (P)
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch Break	
14:00-15:00	[Open discussion] Ask the Experts Main challenges facing registration and enrollment, tutors, online learning, practical and field including Tutor selection assignment and remuneration	Moderated by: Dr Mona Osman, head of training committee ABHS (P)
14:45-15:00	Key Action points for discussion 3	Dr Saeed Soliman, RPD-FM Focal person, WHO EMRO (P)
15:00-15:15	Key messages and way forward	Dr Saeed Soliman, RPD-FM Focal person, WHO EMRO (P)
15:15-15:30	Closing remarks and introduction of the call for action document	Dr Awad Mataria, Director, UHC/Health Systems, WHO EMRO (P)
<p>Date: Wednesday 14 December 2022 Time: 13:00 – 14:00 Participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Representatives from the Arab Board of Health Specializations - Technical Directors from the Regional Office of the Eastern Mediterranean - Representatives from Partnerships unit, CRP/EMRO - Selected Technical staff from UHS/EMRO 		
<p>Partnering with ABHS Facilitated by: Ms Mira Kristina Ihalainen, Director, Communications, Resource Mobilization & Partnership, WHO EMRO</p>		
16:00-16:15	Overview of collaboration agreement WHO EMRO and ABHS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Elshiekh Badr, head of strategy office ABHS (P) • Dr Gohar Wajid, Technical officer WHO EMRO (P)

16:15-17:00	[Open Discussion] Other areas of collaboration between WHO EMRO departments and ABHS	Moderated by: Ms Mira Kristina Ihalainen, Director, Communications, Resource Mobilization & Partnership, WHO EMRO (P)
<p>Date: Thursday 15 December 2022 Time: 9:00 – 11:00 Participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Representatives from the Arab Board of Health Specializations - Representatives from countries entities, specializations boards, and academic institutes <p>Challenges of implementing Regional Professional Diploma in family medicine at Country level <i>Facilitated by: Dr Saeed Soliman, consultant, WHO EMRO</i></p>		
9:00-9:10	Introduction and briefing on SC meeting and discussions	Dr Saeed Soliman, consultant, WHO EMRO (P)
9:10:9:40	[Presentation] RPDFM OVERVIEW	Dr Mona Osman, Head of training committee ABHS (P)
9:40:10:00	[Open discussion] RPDFM challenges with different countries	Moderated by: Dr Mona Osman, Head of training committee ABHS (P)
10:00-10:45	[Small groups discussion] RPDFM specific challenges with different countries	Moderated by: Dr Mona Osman, Head of training committee ABHS (P)
10:45-11:30	[Presentation] Groups presenting discussion and way forward	
11:30-12:00	Summary and way forward	Dr Nagwa Nashaat: curriculum revision, tutors' training (P)
<p>Date: Thursday 15 December 2022 Time: 16:30 – 17:15 Participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Health Systems focal points from EMR countries - EMRO staff and consultants <p>Restructuring for Impact: Introducing UHC/HS Organogram Facilitated by: Dr Awad Mataria, Director, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO</p>		
16:30 -16:45	[Presentation] Introducing the revised UHC/HS Organogram	Dr Awad Mataria, Director, UHC/HS, WHO EMRO (P)
16:45- 17:15	Q&A	

Annexes (TBC)

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