

Reproductive Health Services *for* Refugees *and* Internally Displaced Persons



Inter-agency Working Group on Reproductive Health in Crises

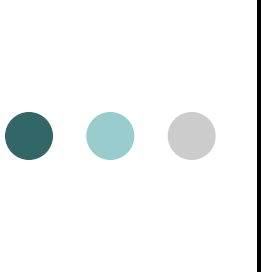
Introducing IAWG

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Inter-agency Working Group on Reproductive Health in Crises

- Established in 1995 as the Inter-agency Working Group on Reproductive Health in Refugee Situations.
- Current membership consists of over 420 individuals from 137 different agencies.
- Registrants for 2008 IAWG annual meeting include 145 individuals from 66 agencies.





How IAWG Works

- Communications through IAWG electronic community.
- Collective action through IAWG Terms of Reference.
- Face-to-face meeting on an annual basis.





IAWG Steering Committee Members

- American Refugee Committee (ARC)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Columbia University
- International Medical Corps (IMC)
- International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF)
- International Rescue Committee (IRC)
- Marie Stopes International (MSI)
- United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
- United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)
- University of New South Wales
- Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children
- World Health Organization (WHO)





2008 Meeting Objectives

- Review progress towards achieving the programmatic goals and future steps outlined in the Terms of Reference following the 2007 IAWG meeting held in Nairobi.
- Share information and identify key areas of common work. Plan next steps and areas of coordination and collaboration for 2008-2009.
- Establish a regional IAWG forum for Northern Africa/Eastern Mediterranean which will serve to share information and lessons learned across projects in the region and enable synergistic partnerships to minimize duplication of efforts and to fill gaps.

