

**HIV / AIDS / STIs / RTIs**

**working group**

**IAWG on Reproductive Health in Crises**

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HIV / AIDS / STIs / HIV working group

# Membership

- **Group Leader: Nadine Cornier UNHCR**
- **Group Members: ... lost ...**



# Changes in the past few months

- UNHCR became the co-convener of the Division of Labor “Addressing HIV in Humanitarian Emergencies” within the UNAIDS framework.
- Involvement of UNHCR in the field of HIV in all humanitarian situation:
  - Refugees
  - IDPs
  - People affected by disasters even without displacement
- More global involvement
  - Advocacy
  - Coordination
  - Inclusive approach

# UNHCR plan to ensure that HIV is addressed in emergency

- **Coordinate, share information and resources** (Reactivation and update of the HIV in emergency platform, Monthly emails with highlights and coordination/networking emails at the onset of new emergencies)
- **Collect tools, identify needs and opportunities for information, education and communication** (training material and opportunities, advocacy material and opportunities, field briefs, best practices, results of studies, surveys and evaluation, operational research, peer reviewed journals, protocols, guidelines, guidance notes, policies and new technical development, monitoring and evaluation systems, study methodologies, data bases, HIS tools)
- **Ensure contingency planning for HIV prevention, treatment and care in humanitarian emergencies** (Sectors/clusters, HIV mainstreaming, population affected by humanitarian emergencies inclusion into NSP, UN, NGO, donors development plans)
- **Support efficient and timely response** (Support access to funding (GFATM, PEPFAR) for priority countries (to be defined), develop / fund regional network, set up mechanism at global level to be catalyst for emergency response/inclusion in humanitarian funding mechanism, enforce inclusion: government, national response teams in particular those organized in network (contingency planning teams, response teams...))

# **IAWG working group objectives**

- **Compile a list of training materials and supporting documents**
- **IAWG agencies must put HIV training in their workplan and budget**
- **Better involve community to improve quality and access and address stigma**
- **Access and information to young people**
- **Programmatic guidance on humanitarian settings**

# Overlap

- **About 99%, with sometimes different wording or angle**
- **IAWG working group pinpoints better the needs to target specific populations such as adolescents**
- **IAWG working group also includes STIs and RTIs**
- **UNHCR has a stronger focus on donor agencies and fund-raising**

# My proposal

**I sent an email around to all current and previous IAWG participants asking those 2 questions:**

- 1. Do you want to be on the mailing list which will keep you updated?**
- 2. Do you want to be an active member of the working group, which will communicate via teleconference every 3 months to:**
  - Define key achievements expected before next IAWG**
  - Follow-up on those objectives**