

Newsletter 17, dated 4th October 2025 Integrating MHPSS into SRH and GBV response



An MHPSS orientation workshop was organized by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) on 25th - 26th September 2025. Major stakeholders offering services to the vulnerable population dealing with challenges related to Sexual & Reproductive Health (SRH) and Gender Based Violence (GBV), particularly in the humanitarian context, attended the workshop.

The objectives of the workshop were to assess MHPSS needs and resources; identify gaps in existing services; align the scope of their work with the MHPSS service model; and coordinate with other stakeholders to offer evidence-based and comprehensive MHPSS services as part of SRH and GBV response across Pakistan.

The workshop was facilitated by Dr. Asma Humayun, National Technical Advisor on Mental Health.

A total of 26 participants from the following organizations attended the workshop:

- 1. International Organization for Migration (UN-IOM)
- 2. UN-Women
- 3. Pathfinder International
- 4. Norwegian Church Aid
- 5. International Medical Corps, Pakistan
- 6. Indus Hospital and Health Network
- 7. Sarhad Rural Support Programme (SRSP)
- 8. Foundation for Ageing and Inclusive Development (FAID)
- 9. Strengthening Participatory Organization, Pakistan
- 10. Rahnuma Family Planning Association of Pakistan
- 11. CARE Pakistan
- 12. Agha Khan Foundation (AKF)
- 13. Special Talent Exchange Program (STEP)
- 14. Community World Service Asia (CWSA)
- 15. Social Cooperation Initiative
- 16. Inspire Pakistan











<u>Saida Inayat Khattak</u>, Programme Analyst GBViE, UNFPA, highlights the need for MHPSS training in GBV response.

Dr Rasheed Ahmed, Humanitarian Analyst, UNFPA, highlights the gaps in existing SRH and GBV response.

Group presentations and recommendations:

Group 1

Group 2

Group 3

Group 4



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