

Closing Date: 18 August 2021 (Jerusalem time)

Post Title: SRH Coordinator

**Category:** Service Contract SB – 4/1 **Post Number:** UNFPA-SC-2021-003

**Duty Station:** Gaza

**Duration:** Six months with possibility of renewal

# **VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**

UNFPA works from its offices in East Jerusalem and Gaza City. This post will be based in Gaza City with frequent travel throughout Gaza.

UNFPA is the United Nations Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) agency. UNFPA is the lead UN agency for delivering a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every childbirth is safe and every young person's potential is fulfilled. UNFPA's new strategic plan (2018-2021), focuses on three transformative results: to end preventable maternal deaths; end unmet need for family planning; and end gender-based violence and harmful practices. In a world where fundamental human rights are at risk, we need principled and ethical staff, who embody these international norms and standards, and who will defend them courageously and with full conviction. UNFPA works to promote access to sexual and reproductive health and rights for all.

UNFPA has a convening role aiming to bring together and coordinate partners working in the area of SRHR, both in terms of service delivery, data, policy, and advocacy. The objective of this position is to:

- 1. Coordinate SRHR partners and response to support a coherent and comprehensive SRHR humanitarian response in Gaza, including the phase of emergency preparedness.
- 2. Conduct monitoring, evaluation, accountability, and learning (MEAL) for UNFPA's SRHR programming in Gaza.

The SRH coordinator will work towards improved coordination of partners involved in the humanitarian response for SRH, as well as supporting the MEAL officer based in Jerusalem with MEAL for SRHR in Gaza. The selected candidate will liaise both with all partners active in the field, in order to gather data for monitoring and advocacy, ensure humanitarian gaps are filled, and provide an evidence base for collective advocacy.

The coordinator is expected to work from Sunday to Thursday during official working hours (8:00 – 15:30). A working space will be made available at the UNFPA office. The Coordinator is expected to travel throughout Gaza frequently for MEAL and meeting with SRHR partners.

## Major Activities / Expected Results:

#### **SRHR Coordination:**

The Coordinator will conduct the following activities under the overall supervision of Gaza Head of Office, and with day-to-day collaboration with the SRHR team in Gaza and Jerusalem.

- Facilitate the coordination and convening of all SRHR humanitarian stakeholders (MOH, NGOs, UNRWA, UN, private sector) through an effective coordination mechanism, to ensure a cohesive humanitarian response, including information sharing and data management.
- In case of an acute humanitarian crisis, the coordinator will be responsible for convening SRHR partners (either in person or virtually, depending on security and COVID) and coordinating the immediate and medium term humanitarian response for SRHR partners.
- Liaise with and provide support to the Health Cluster and SRH Working Group to ensure that SRH issues are well reported on and integrated into the overall health response. This will include participation in

health cluster meetings, contribution to health cluster situation reports, assessments, and programmatic processes. The person will also participate in GBV Sub-Cluster meetings, when possible, in order to facilitate better integration between GBV and the health sector.

- Carry out routine field visits, conduct needs assessments, assess emerging trends, and gaps and make proposals to improve SRH service delivery and expansion to the target groups in the conflict affected populations.
- Produce and disseminate regular updates, bulletins, reports, and briefings, as needed.
- Provide technical support to UNFPA and health cluster partners, to implement technically sound SRHR humanitarian interventions according to the Minimal Initial Service Package for Reproductive Health in Emergencies (MISP) and technical standards and protocols.
- As requested by the supervisor, represent UNFPA in Gaza vetting panels for Humanitarian Response Plan and OCHA funding, when UNFPA is selected by OCHA and/or the Health Cluster.
- Establish strong linkages between existing SRH, GBV, and youth humanitarian initiatives.
- Ensure appropriate links among humanitarian actions and longer-term health sector plans, including emergency preparedness.
- Contribute to efforts to advocate for prioritization of sexual and reproductive health in humanitarian response, by continuously adding to the evidence base and supporting the identification of trends and case studies to illustrate the need for effective SRH services in emergencies, for inclusion in media reports, health cluster situation reports, OCHA Humanitarian bulletin, and internal UNFPA stories and human interest case studies; work closely with communications colleagues to develop communications and advocacy materials in ways that are sensitive to the needs and confidentiality of beneficiaries.
- Support resource mobilization efforts for SRHR.

### MEAL:

The MEAL work will support MEAL activities for UNFPA's SRHR programming, including supporting the development of MEAL frameworks; data collection; supporting programme staff to ensure that projects are progressing as planned; supporting learning and adaptation of programming based on continuous evaluation; and that reporting is conducted in a high quality and timely manner.

- Responsible for carrying out MEAL activities under a large-scale humanitarian, development, peace nexus health systems strengthening project for sexual, reproductive, maternal, newborn, child, and adolescent health. There should be a focus on enhancing the quality of activities and proposing suggested adjustments to activities based on learning from monitoring activities. Support the project managers to draft required reports using results from MEAL activities.
- Regularly collect, analyze, synthesize and provide feedback on SRH data from relevant partners.
- Support and carry out accountability to affected population activities, including focus group discussions, surveys, and establishing and maintaining complaint mechanisms with UNFPA and implementing partner organizations.
- Support the collection of high quality data on shortages of SRH/MCH drugs and medical disposables, including family planning commodities from partners providing SRH services.
- Conduct regular monitoring and reporting of SRH humanitarian interventions, including site visits to project sites and interactions with partners and beneficiaries.
- Support the MEAL officer to provide quality inputs as part of UNFPA's regular corporate reporting and quarterly tracking of milestones.

Ad hoc tasks may be assigned, as requested by the supervisor.

## Job Requirements:

### Education:

Master's degree in Public Health, Nursing or Midwifery.

### **Knowledge and Experience:**

At least 3 years of relevant experience working with humanitarian programming within the health or relevant sector, particularly working with sexual and reproductive health and rights, and ideally for international partners and/or health cluster partners.

Experience working with monitoring, evaluation, accountability, and learning (MEAL), with experience in health and/or gender MEAL preferred

Significant experience working with a variety of partners, including civil society, the government (Ministry of Health preferred), the UN, donors, and/or international organizations

Fluency in written and spoken English and Arabic

### Preferred experience:

A clinical medical degree (Midwife, Doctor, or Nurse)
Experience coordinating humanitarian response, particularly within health and SRH
Experience working for the UN

Values:

Exemplifying integrity
Demonstrating commitment to UNFPA and the UN system
Embracing cultural diversity
Embracing change

Core Competencies:

Achieve results

Being accountable

Developing and applying professional expertise/ business acumen

Thinking analytically and strategically

Working in teams/ managing ourselves and our relationships

Communicating for impact

Functional Skill Set:

Advocacy/ Advancing a

Policy-oriented agenda

Leveraging the resources of national governments and partners/ building strategic alliances and partnerships

Delivering results-oriented programmes

Internal and external communication and advocacy for results mobilization

### Managerial Competencies:

Providing strategic focus,

Engaging in internal/external partners and stakeholders,

Leading, developing and empowering people, creating a culture of performance

Making decisions and exercising judgment

UNFPA provides a work environment that reflects the values of gender equality, teamwork, respect for diversity, integrity and a healthy balance of work and life. We are committed to maintaining our balanced gender distribution and therefore encourage women to apply. UNFPA promotes equal opportunities for all including persons with disabilities.

Notice: There is no application, processing or other fee at any stage of the application process.

UNFPA does not solicit or screen for information in respect of HIV or AIDS and does not discriminate on the basis of HIV/AIDS status.

Candidates are asked to submit a cover letter, recent CV and complete The UN Personal History Form / P11 form to **palestine.hr@unfpa.org** by closing date and time for applications Wednesday, 18 August 2021 (Jerusalem time). Only those short-listed for the position will be contacted.