Palestinian National Institute of Public Health (PNIPH)
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PNIPH – VISION

To bring the health of Palestinians to the heart of policy and to promote the use of scientific evidence for decision making

“Information for Action”
Where we are
PNIPH Project Responsibilities

Funding agreement - 2012
WHO - PA - Norway MoU Signed – Nov 2011
PNIPH PROJECT

PA
• Provide premises (MoH)
• Secondments of staff (MoH)
• Draft legislation

WHO
• Project and financial management
• Technical expertise

NIPH
• Technical support

Reference group

MFA Norway
• Funding the project
• Monitoring
THE AIMS OF THE PNIPH

- Increase **use of data** in setting health policies
- Strengthen and develop **surveillance systems** and registries
- Serve as a **hub for public health** professionals and researchers
- Provide **evidence-based information** and scientific recommendations on how to **improve population health**
- Be a **trusted source of advice** for health policy makers and the general public
- **Enhance networking** among public health institutions to **enhance the utilisation of information**.
Our Functions

- **Information for Action**
  - Public Health Surveillance
  - Public Health Assessment & Research
  - Health Systems Analysis

- **Capacity Building**
Governance of PNIPH

• National Institute: (West Bank, Gaza, East Jerusalem)

• Independent under the umbrella of the PNA

• Fully accountable for its professional and technical responsibilities and budget

• Free to speak out on health issues and publish evidence based reports

• Executive Board with members from different stakeholders
High-ranking visit
On going EMRO support
Institutional support to establish the PNIPH
- Technical and governance levels
- Engagement from the beginning (feasibility study and MOU)
- Share experiences and expertise
- Passionate and highly committed
- Respectful and understanding to the differences
- Long term twining relationship

Members of the Project Reference Committee

Joint planning to address needs and to develop projects

Proposal writing and fund raising

Research collaboration

Human capacity building – PhD, on the job training and exposure

Implantation of **concrete projects** towards shared goals
HARMONISED REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH REGISTRY – HRHR

- WHO-NIPH-Norad project
- Palestine pilot country
- The aim is to adapt a comprehensive evidence-based mother and child health registry – electronic system
- Continuum of care
- Research collaboration
- Funding
Literature review and recommendations on water usage in Gaza
Assessment of surveillance of meningitis in Gaza (laboratory quality & capacity)
TAKE HOME MASSAGES

• Long term investment to contribute to improved Palestinian health and better decision making

• Requires commitment and support from local and international public health community

• Work together to shape the design