Wholesome Shelter

Promoting holistic well-being by integrating Shelter with WASH and MHPSS
Our shelter vision: Safe, Durable, Dignified, Healthy
A HEALTHIER HOME IS A BETTER HOME

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In South Sudan, the project supported the construction of efficient rooms, which reduced health and protection risks. For more information see Shelter Projects 2017:14 (05) p.40.

In Cambodia, this project addressed housing rehabilitation with the aim of reducing protection risks and improving health outcomes. For more information see A31/0514.
What is ‘integrated programming’?

Snel and Sorensen (2021) define integrated WASH as programming that “focuses on the nexus between WASH and nutrition, education, livelihoods, child protection, agriculture and food security.”
WASH Roadmap Workstream 3.4

Multi-sectoral integration and coordination of WASH:

“With this initiative, The WASH Humanitarian sector aims to position’ itself within other sectors to maximize more significant results and break down sectoral silos by exploring venues for effective integrated responses in the future.”
In its **first phase**, the initiative aims to identify the existing gaps and challenges in effective coordination for multi-sectoral collaboration.

In the **second phase**, based on building on the data gathered, decision-making tools and guidance for emergency preparedness and response are reviewed and compiled.

In the **third phase**, packaging the integrated and documented guidance tools and SoPs for intersectoral guidance for ensuring a well-coordinated approach to future multi-sectoral emergency responses.

In the **fourth phase** of the initiative plan, a list of pathways are rolled out across multi-sectoral platforms, such as guidance tools for local authorities and the communities concerned. Inter-sectoral integration is piloted.

In the **final phase** of the plan, based on effective coordination for multi-sectoral collaboration, evidence-based practices would be outlined to support this intersectoral integration – entailing to increased advocacy and securing funding.
BAMBOO LATRINES
workflow CONSTRUCTION

◦ Final Report

◦ Latrine construction
  - Finishing
  - Pitate wall installation and water installation
  - Frame and roof installation
  - Preparation of brick walls and frame making
  - Floor casting and toilet installation
  - Floor casting and toilet installation
  - Pipe installation

◦ Logistics/Material distribution

◦ Certificate for latrine beneficiaries

◦ Design

◦ Community Meeting

Community Based
T-SHELTER & WASH

hamlet: Dusun 3 Sapoo
village: Namo
sub-district: Kulawi
district: Sigi

KUN Humanity System
INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL CORPS

RELIEF ASSISTANCE FOR PEOPLE IN CENTRAL SULAWESI AFFECTED BY THE EARTHQUAKE
Poo, Pee, Periods and Privacy

What needs to happen next to promote integrated Shelter/WASH with the objective of facilitating healthier homes and holistic well-being?
• What would it take to achieve ‘one house, one toilet’ in humanitarian settings?

• What are the priority aspects of healthier homes in different contexts?

• What would a minimum integrated ‘Shelter/WASH package’ look like in different phases of response and in different contexts?

• What information and further research is needed?
On 17 May 2022 the **IASC Reference Group for MHPSS in Emergencies** hosted the online session *Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS): Bringing wellbeing to the communities through multi-sectoral integration at the HNPW.*

**Key materials and resources** where shared at the session to support actors from all sectors to integrate MHPSS in their actions.

In addition, three experiences from country level integration were shared by colleagues in Bangladesh, Mozambique and Venezuela. The resources are shared in this document, which can be used as a tool for MHPSS integration across sectors.

- **Health Cluster Guide**
  - Ethics, Key questions to ask when facing dilemmas during COVID-19 response in humanitarian settings

- **The Sphere Handbook, Health Standards**

- **The Inter-Agency Minimum Standards for GBV in Emergencies Programming**
  - Standard 5 Psychosocial Support

- **Women Rise: A Gender-Based Violence Toolkit**

- **Feminist Approaches to Specialized Mental Health Care for Survivors of Gender-based Violence**

- **CP-EI Collaboration in Coordination Framework**
  - Which includes an MHPSS Thematic Paper

- **Mindful sheltering report**
  - Global Shelter Cluster meeting
  - Global Shelter Cluster meeting 2021 Shelter and health session

- **Victime assistance in Mine Action, highlighting MHPSS as one of the key actions**

- **MHPSS Inter-Sector Guide for Child Protection Coordination**

- **Global Protection Cluster Mine Action Aika**

- **Shelter Cluster**

- **IASC**

- **MHPSS MSP**

In addition to the several resources for integration available in the IASC MHPSS RG website, the **MHPSS Minimum Service Package** was highlighted.
MHPSS and protection outcomes

Why joint action to improve mental health and psychosocial wellbeing of people affected by conflict, violence and disasters should be a priority for all protection actors

Sarah Harrison, Fahmy Hanna, Peter Ventevogel, Nancy Polutan-Teulieres, William S. Chemaly

Policy Discussion Paper – September 2020


InterAction (2021) *Roadmap for Research* InterAction. Chapter 8 Adopting an Environmental Health Lens in Practice (Co-authored with various others.)