
INTERAGENCY CHILD PROTECTION WORKSHOP

PSS Committee- Lebanon

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The PSS Committee is a sub-group under the Child Protection working group created in June 2014 due to the need to streamline psychosocial support (PSS) interventions and to ensure that a similar understanding of PSS informed the type and quality of service delivered for children in Lebanon.

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The PSS Committee shares updates through the CP working group at the national and regional coordination meetings. All group members have a strong PSS capacity and meet monthly to work together and ensure that the annual plan is on track and meets the required progress. The PSS committee is co-chaired by UNICEF and War Child Holland.

Objectives of the PSS Committee

- ✦ Ensure that child protection organizations in Lebanon have a harmonized approach to psychosocial support (PSS) programming for children, caregivers and communities through the use of standardized tools and guidance based on gaps and needs identified in the field.
- ✦ Support the development of a coordinated response by providing an operational link between the CPiEWG and the MHPSS Task Force participation.
- ✦ Ensure quality of PSS through programme design, monitoring, staffing and capacity in line with international standards and guidelines adapted to the Lebanese context.

PSS Committee Achievements- 2015

- Development of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for free use of lands for the purpose of children activities.
- Development of MOU and JD for community volunteers working with children.
- Development of a Guidance Note for Focus Group discussions
- Development of a Guidance Note of CFS checklists

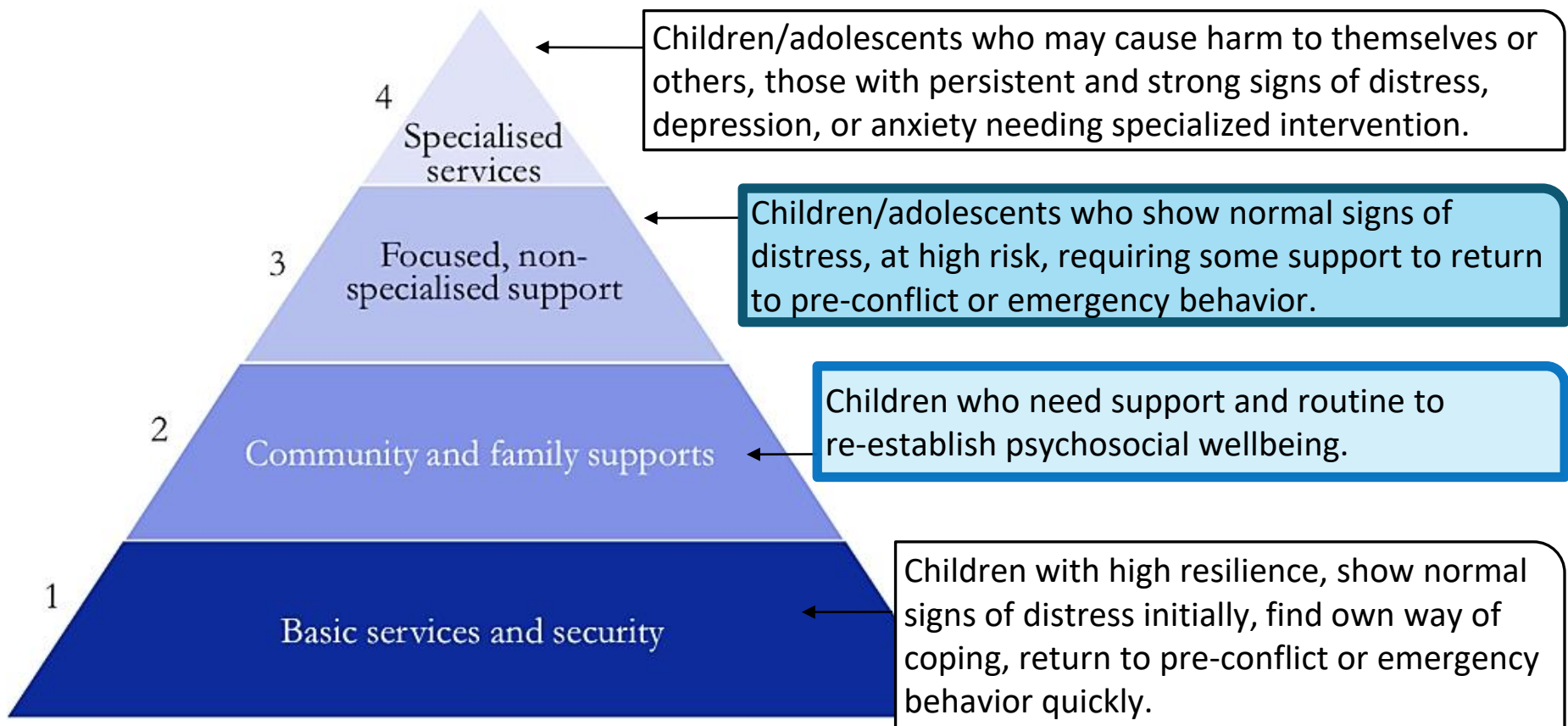
PSS Committee Achievements- 2015

- Development of SDQ guidance and database
- Roll out of SDQ guidance and database at field level.
- Development of 10 PSS key messages for caregivers.
- Lead the contextualization of standard 10 -MHPSS of CPMS
- Development of an identification and referral checklist.

PSS Committee - 2016

- Following the CPWG retreat of 2016, the PSS committee developed a highly ambitious and forward looking plan to meet the PSS needs of the field.
- First of all, a national PSS workshop was held to clarify definitions between community based activities and focused interventions as this was an eminent need. A live guidance note on Community versus focused activities was developed.

2016 Major Shifts



PSS Committee - 2016

- Five subcommittees were formed composed of PSS committee members.
- Each subcommittee was tasked with developing a specific theme. Updates and comments are provided on a regular basis. A close coordination between various subcommittees is ensured due to the natural link of various themes.

Community based subcommittee

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- ① Develop a guideline for community volunteers on minimum requirements to implement the Structured recreational activities including a CP/PSS key messages with children
- ① Develop a guideline for community volunteers to implement structured PSS activities for caregivers

Focused subcommittee

PSS Committee Achievements- 2016

- Develop a focused guideline for (I)NGOs staff addressing groups at risks of CP violations and high levels of psychological distress.

Awareness raising subcommittee

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- Develop PSS awareness session for children(7-12;13-18) in line with the PSS key messages of caregivers.

MEAL subcommittee

○ Develop/contextualize Monitoring, evaluation, learning and accountability tools for various activities.

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Identification and Referral subcommittee

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- Finalize the Identification and referral checklist and liaise with CMTF for its endorsement and roll out.

Challenges and Open questions for 2017?

- Training and sustainability of community based activities
- Monitoring and reporting of CBA
- CP awareness session delivered by community volunteers
- Referral pathways between different activities
- Retention and minimum number of sessions focused
- Focused and caregivers sessions

PSS Committee - Dropbox

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