



Sexual and Reproductive Health in Humanitarian Crises

Credits	2 credits ECTS
Dates	4 – 15 September 2023
Format	Online (combination of self-study time and live sessions). Live sessions are mandatory and take place 2-3 times a week, usually in early afternoon CET. <i>Online course requires 20-25 hours of dedicated work per week. We recommend that participants allow at least 50% of their time for the course and adapt their professional activity accordingly.</i>
Language	English
Fees	CHF 1'700
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Course overview

Short description

Access to affordable and safe sexual and reproductive health (SRH) services is a fundamental human right that can save lives during emergencies. The overall objective of the course is to allow mid-level or senior managers to develop an understanding of SRH issues in emergencies and to provide them with skills to coordinate the implementation of a minimum set of sexual and reproductive health interventions at the onset of an emergency and as an integral part of health assistance programmes.



Objectives of the course

At the end of the course, you will be able to:

- Advocate for sexual and reproductive health in emergencies
- Describe how an emergency situation, caused by for example conflict or disaster, affects reproductive health needs
- Apply core concepts and techniques provided in the Minimum Initial Service Package (MISP) for SRH in Crises
- Apply coordination skills for the implementation of the MISP
- Draw implications for addressing SRH for communities in crisis in their own country context

Workload

Around 20-25 hours of work each week, including:

1. Asynchronous self-study activities (such as case studies, videos, recorded slideshows, readings, etc.)
2. Synchronous live sessions

Thematic structure of the course

- Overview and coordination of SRH in crisis
- Communication and advocacy
- Gender-based violence
- Coordinating maternal and newborn health
- Family planning
- HIV prevention and programming
- Coordinating abortion care
- Logistics, monitoring and evaluation



Prerequisites

Audience

- Professionals in the humanitarian, development or social sector looking to develop their competencies in sexual and reproductive health
- Professionals from other sectors (logistics, management) who wish to increase their understanding of how to coordinate sexual and reproductive health programmes
- Graduate students with relevant volunteer or intern experience (2-3 years), looking to undertake a postgraduate course with a view to entering the humanitarian sector

Distance Learning

- Broadband/high speed connection - 2.5 Mbps minimum.
- Please note that most weekly content and activities is accessible via phone, but a PC/laptop/tablet is preferred
- microphone and webcam

Admission requirements

1. a university qualification (Bachelor's degree or equivalent)
2. at least three years of relevant professional experience
3. excellent command of English
4. motivation working in the humanitarian sector