

Infant & Young Child Feeding in Emergency



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Guiding Documents - Jordan

- Guidance Note on Appropriate Infant and Young Child Feeding Practices in the Current Refugee Emergency in Jordan.
- Standard Operating Procedures re Donations, Distribution and Procurement of Infant Formula and Infant Feeding Equipment.



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Activities

- Education sessions in all locations and in coordination with other partners .
- Individual counselling sessions and continuous follow up providing skilled breastfeeding support for mothers facing difficulties.
- Provision of water and nutrient dense snacks for mothers and children.

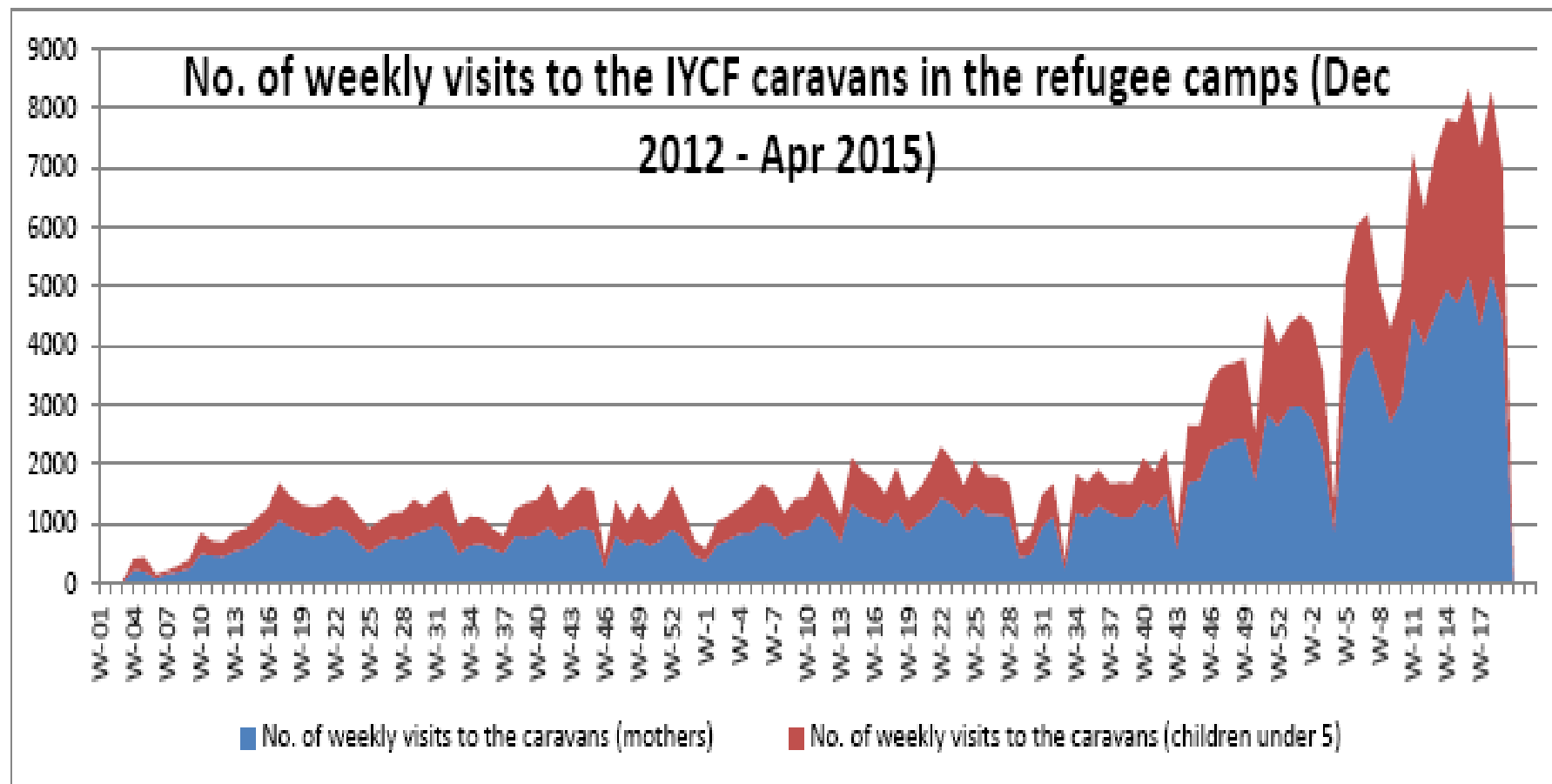


Activities

- Monitoring of infant formula distribution in the camps.
- MUAC screening to identify malnourished cases.
- Management and follow up of MAM (Moderately malnourished) cases.
- Support immunization campaigns and EPI .
- Bottle-cup amnesty



Start up



Challenges and Barriers

- IYCF was relatively a new concept for most partners.
- Lack of infant feeding knowledge and skills among health providers.
- Uncontrolled donations of breastmilk substitutes.
- Lack of monitoring and enforcement of marketing regulations for breastmilk substitutes .
- Misconceptions ,cultural beliefs and practices (using infant formula is the norm).



Management of BMS

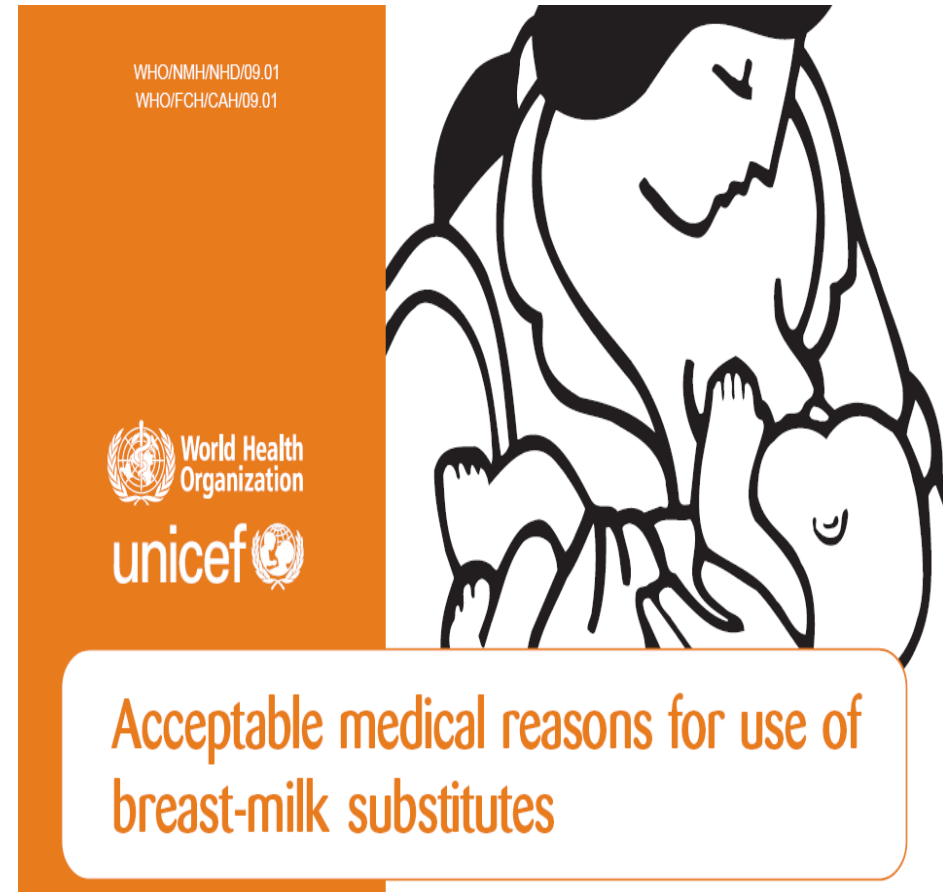
- All unsolicited donations should be collected and stored under the control of UNHCR.
- Any unsolicited donation of infant formula or bottles and teats should be reported to UNHCR or SCJ.



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Management of BMS

- BMS (for infants till 12 months) available via prescription from health clinic AFTER assessment completed.
- ✓ Prescription : health facility
- ✓ Distribution : ?????
- ✓ Do you think IYCF spaces is an option ??



Management of BMS

- Mother and child should both come to the clinic for examination.
- Matching name with ration card number.
- Prescription is given for a month , mother should be back for examination every month to renew the card accordingly :
 - ✓ re-lactation
 - ✓ above 6 months (change quantity)
 - ✓ above 12 months (discharged)
 - ✓ medical reason resolved



Lessons Learned

- **Leadership**
- **Integration**
- **Capacity building**



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