



OVERVIEW:

- During May, a total of 22,704 patient consultations were conducted in Primary Health Care Centers in refugee camps. Health utilization rate (visit/person/year) was 3.2 which lies within the expected range of 1-4. In the same period, 514 patient attended mental health services.
- 1,220 patients were referred from camp based PHCC to secondary and tertiary facilities for further investigations and/or hospitalization.
- In Sulaymaniyah governorate, Arbat camp, EMERGENCY conducted Oral Health and Dental Hygiene campaign. In addition, integration of MHPSS services within PHCC using Mental Health Gap Action Program (MH GAP) started.
- In Duhok governorate, the handover process of Mental Health Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) services in Gawilan and Akre camps from UPP to DoH-Duhok has started. The process will be completed by end of June and UNHCR will support DoH-Duhok to continue providing MHPSS services in Gawilan and Akre.
- The capacity building activities for PHC and MHPSS staff working in refugee camps is still ongoing through UNHCR partners. Training on community-based psychosocial support has been conducted by UPP. In addition, DoH-Duhok provided training to PHCC staff on primary health care component.
- Cholera high committee was established in each governorate in order to respond to possible cholera outbreak. The committee is chaired by the governor and



A medical doctor from DoH-Erbil is examining a child, Darashakran refugee camp PHCC, Erbil

NEEDS ANALYSIS:

- With the onset of summer, control of communicable diseases needs to be strengthened in close cooperation with other sectors in order to prevent disease outbreaks, especially cholera. A health awareness campaign on prevention of cholera is needed as well as strengthening the surveillance system.
- Shortage of medicines remains a key concern in public health facilities, particularly for patients with chronic diseases.

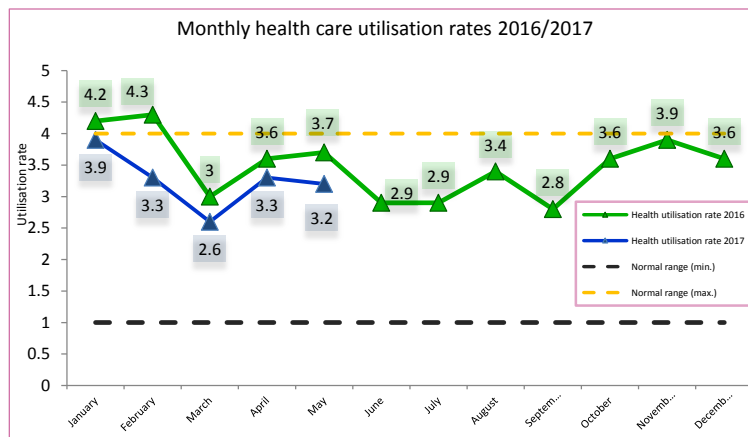
By 31 May 2017, 241,406 Syrian refugees (79,171 households) live in Iraq:

97% = 233,120 live in Kurdistan Region-Iraq (KR-I): Erbil Duhok and Sulaymaniyah.

3% = 8,286 Live in other locations in Iraq.

62% = 150,024 live in non-camp/urban areas.

38% = 91,382 live in 9 camps (Basirma, Darashakran, Kawergosk, Qushtapa camps in Erbil, Domiz I and II, Akre, Gawilan camps in Duhok, Arbat Camp in Sulaymaniyah).



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