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Abbreviations

AMR antimicrobial resistance

AMS antimicrobial stewardship

BPHS basic public health service package

DRC Democratic Republic of Congo

EPHS Essential Package of Health Services

HeRAMS Health Resources and Services Availability Monitoring System

HRH human resources for health

IAWG Inter-Agency Working Group

ICRC International Committee of the Red Cross

IFRC International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

IMAI integrated management of adolescent and adult illness

IPC infection, prevention and control IRC International Rescue Committee

LSHTM London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

NCDs noncommunicable diseases

NHQS national health quality strategy

NQPS national quality policy and strategy

OECD Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

PHC primary health care

PSFHI Patient Safety Friendly Hospital Initiative

SATS South African triage scale

SBAR situation background assessment recommendation

SRH sexual and reproductive health

UHC universal health coverage

UN United Nations

UNHCR United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

UNICEF United Nations Children's Fund

UNWRA United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

USAID United States Agency for International Development

WASH Water, sanitation and hygiene
WHO World Health Organization

WHO-PEN WHO Package of essential noncommunicable disease interventions

In brief

The Quality of care in fragile, conflict-affected and vulnerable settings: tools and resources compendium represents a curated, pragmatic and non-prescriptive collection of tools and resources to support the implementation of interventions to improve quality of care in such contexts. Relevant tools and resources are listed under five areas: Ensuring access and basic infrastructure for quality; shaping the system environment; reducing harm; improving clinical care; and engaging and empowering patients, families and communities. Cross-cutting products are also signposted.

Who is it for?

A range of stakeholders working in fragile, conflict-affected and vulnerable settings, including but not limited to humanitarian agencies and their coordination bodies (for example the national Health Cluster), ministry of health personnel at national and district levels, public and private health care provider organizations, non-governmental organizations, managers, system leaders and practitioners – as they all work towards improving quality of care.

Why was it developed?

The compendium is a companion to the World Health Organization (WHO) resource *Quality of care in fragile, conflict-affected and vulnerable settings – taking action*. It provides signposts to further resources that support practical action around implementation of quality-related interventions.

How was it developed?

A process of several rounds of scoping searches, tools identification and refinement by the WHO National Quality Policy and Strategy (NQPS) team; collaboration and co-development with technical and humanitarian partners; and focus on meeting priority, context-specific and practical needs have guided the compendium development process. Tools and other resources have been sought based primarily on their utility in supporting implementation of evidence-based interventions for improving quality in fragile, conflict-affected and vulnerable settings.

How should it be used?

The compendium is intended for use in support of the processes outlined in *Quality of Care*



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