

NEWS LETTER



**World Health
Organization**

Egypt

Art Competition in Egypt: Girls win the day

Four young girls aged 10 to 11 years old won the WHO Egypt art competition of this year. Winners were offered financial rewards and certificates of appreciation on 5 July 2017.

The theme of this year's competition was "talking about depression", and it aimed at discussing the rights of persons with mental disorders and particularly depression and raising awareness of available treatment modalities.



A basketball player, a designer and painter

The first winner in the art competition is Rodaina, and accompanied with her family she came from Port Said to receive her award. Since a very young age, she has been passionate about designing dresses for her dolls in addition to her love of painting. Rodaina's mother also said that she loves playing basketball.

A chorus singer and artist

Nourane, 10 years old, describes depression as "a person who wants to do something but is unable to". She loves painting and has a portfolio of her own paintings. Nourane also has a beautiful voice and sang in a chorus.

A ballerina from Alexandria

Nour, 9 years old, is a ballerina who participated in several shows in the opera in Alexandria. She won the fourth award in the art competition and came with her mother and art teacher from Alexandria to receive her award.

A painter from Port Said

Jana won the fourth award and came with her family from Port Said to receive it.

Dr. John Jabour, WHO representative in Egypt, received the girls and their parents. In his short speech, he noted that the theme of the competition, depression, is not an easy topic to depict; however, the girls did a wonderful job of portraying it artistically.

NEWS LETTER



**World Health
Organization**
Egypt

Cairo and Giza donned green to commemorate World Hepatitis Day

Egypt lit its landmarks, Giza Pyramids, the Cairo Tower and the Ministry of Foreign affairs building, in green on 3rd of August 2017, to commemorate the World Hepatitis Day.



This joint work was organized by the Ministry of Health and Population, the World Health Organization, and the World Bank in collaboration with the Ministry of foreign affairs in Egypt, to keep up the national momentum and to raise the public awareness of Hepatitis prevention and treatment.

Thanks to a series of access strategies supported by WHO/Egypt and other partners, Egypt is actively working to reach the ambitious goal of being the first country to “Eliminate Hepatitis”.

“WHO hopes that Egypt will be able to eliminate Hepatitis as per its strategic goals, we see Egypt as a model to be followed globally in the control and treatment of viral Hepatitis.” Said Dr. John Jabbour, WHO Representative /Egypt.

Within the same context, WHO country office/Egypt launched a social media campaign which produced Arabic IEC materials including videos, info graphs, and GIF to raise community awareness about the prevention and control of Hepatitis among Arabic speaking nationals.

WHO is supporting the Ministry of Health and Population to strengthen the screening protocol and create a coordination mechanism among different stakeholders working in the field of Hepatitis.

NEWS LETTER



World Health
Organization

Egypt

WHO/Egypt in collaboration with MOHP organized an “Adolescent Health Training” for Syrian Refugees in Egypt.

WHO Egypt in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Population conducting a comprehensive “Adolescent Health training” for Syrian Refugees adolescents in 6 governorates: Cairo, Giza, Alex, Damietta, Sharkia and Qaliobeya, in order acknowledge the public health services and facilities available to the Syrian adolescent and youth refugees.

The training aimed to inform the participants about the services that can be provided from MOHP and the Primary Health care facilities. Besides it sought to focus on providing them with a complete knowledge of some important topics such as: Reproductive and sexual health, Health life style and physical Health, nutrition of adolescence and its problems, Mental and oral health problems and how to improve the efficiency of services provided to the adolescents and young Syrian refugees in Egypt.

13 year old Lyan, a young Syrian refugee girl, participated and was interested to learn more about Mental Health and how to manage the mental diseases that could affect young.



Moreover, Adnan and Ammar and Maged, Wessam and Gaith, 4 boys who were interested to learn how to avoid the dangers of Tobacco and to retain more about the benefits of Health food besides to practice sports.

The training has been ended with a successful, great achievement with the interaction of the participants, in order to reach the third goal of SDG's: “Good Health and well-being” and to ensure health lives for all ages.

WHO Egypt aims to support and sustain Syrian Humanitarian crisis form the start of the Syrian crisis, by providing a health program addressing the health needs of the Syrian refugees in Egypt. 122,802 Syrian refugees are registered in UNHCR and 24 % are adolescents, based on Health Needs assessment conducted by WHO Egypt in 2014.

NEWS LETTER



World Health
Organization
Egypt

New STEPwise 2016-2017 survey in Egypt.

A new successful collaboration between WHO/Egypt and MOHP and CAPMAS

WHO/Egypt in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Population and the Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics (CAPMAS) started a new round of the STEPwise survey for 2016- 2017 on 2 of August 2017 in Egypt.

The second round is still in the phase of field work and data collection that will be implemented in 23 governorates (except the borders one that are excluded for security reasons) in Egypt. Almost 50% of the field work targeted governorates - in Lower Egypt and Delta areas- have been finalized.



According to the agreed upon timeline of the survey, the field work should be finalized by the end of September 2017. The new phase will be dedicated for sample weighing and data review, analysis and interpretation in order to release the survey fact sheet by the end of 2017.

In addition, a short movie will be produced to document the different steps of the implementation of STEPwise survey 2016-2017 and show the perfect harmony and successful collaboration between the MOHP and CAPMAS and WHO/Egypt, as a real model of a team work.

The new second round of the STEPwise2016-2017 survey has collected accurate data that will enable comparison with the data from the previous survey conducted in 2011-2012.

The STEPwise survey 2016-2017 will support the Egypt Health system in planning and determining public health priorities in order to predict the caseloads of noncommunicable diseases in addition to evaluate existing population-wide interventions.

NEWS LETTER



**World Health
Organization**
Egypt

Three partners working together developing “Family Planning” campaign

WHO/ Egypt in collaboration with United Nations Population Fund “UNFPA” and the Ministry of Health and Population are collaborating to produce TV spots on Family Planning, as part of a national campaign to raise community awareness on the over-population problem, one of the big challenges in Egypt and considered as a top priority of the political leadership agenda.



This collaboration module between MOHP and development partners could be repeated in future activities of common areas of work to support the country and to have more visibility of UN work impact.

It is worth mentioning that the main goal of WHO as a lead UN health agency and UNFPA as a lead UN agency for delivering a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every child is safe and every young person’s potential fulfilled, is to build a better healthier future for people.

At the end, WHO seeks to work side by side with the national and other partners to ensure the highest attainable level of health for all people and to provide the government with the needed support in order reach the SDG’s goals on 2030.