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Ministry of Health



Project Proposal

**Early detection of developmental disabilities among
neonates and children in Ministry of Health, Gaza
Strip**

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Project number	2021/123				Date:	26/10/2021	
Project name	Early detection of developmental disabilities among neonates and children in Ministry of Health, Gaza Strip				Applicant for the project	General Directorate of Hospitals	
Project duration	4 years			Type of project		Within the plan	
						Urgent	
Project field		Construction		Rehabilitation	Machines & Equipment		Therapeutic Services
		Consumables		Training and Scholarship	Operational Expenses		Others (...)
Implementing body	Ministry of Health				Project Partners		
Beneficiaries	50,000 newborns and children and their families, and 300 MoH staff				Place of implementation	Ministry of Health	
Estimated budget (USD)	\$15,000 (fifteen thousand dollars)						
Summary of the project (Overview of the project idea and requirements to solve current problem)	<p>The idea of the project is to detect and manage developmental disabilities among children under 5 years. Early identification of infants at risk for developmental delay is of the utmost importance to initiate appropriate intervention. Early recognition requires an in-depth knowledge of the child's history, general physical examination, and developmental level and an understanding of the expected developmental precursors of a skill. Failure to detect developmental disabilities early may worsen their condition. Developmental disabilities include Attention-Deficit / Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), autism spectrum disorder, cerebral palsy, hearing loss, intellectual disability, learning disability, vision impairment, and other developmental delays. Ministry of health aims to decrease the disability among children and reduce the burden on families by developing a unified protocol for early detection of disability among neonate children, and improving the capacity of health staff to detect disabilities.</p>						

<p>Project justifications</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early identification and intervention can have a significant impact on a child’s ability to learn new skills, as well as reduce the need for costly interventions over time. • Lack of clear protocols and guidelines on developmental disabilities may result in late detection of developmental disabilities which may hinder its management. 																																																																
<p>Project objectives</p>	<p>Overall goal: Early detection of developmental disabilities among neonates and children.</p> <p>Specific objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To update guidelines. 2. To perform on-the-job training on guidelines. 																																																																
<p>Current indicators</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Number of protocols produced and revised. ❖ Number of children benefited from ECD services. ❖ Number of facilities targeted with the intervention. ❖ Rate of disability among children under 5 in PHC and hospitals. 																																																																
<p>Expected indicators after implementing the project</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Unified protocol for early detection of disability among neonate children. ✓ 50,000 children will benefit from ECD services. ✓ The unified protocol will be performed at 6 hospitals and 40 PHC. ✓ Rate of disability among children under 5 in PHC and hospitals will be decreased by 5%. 																																																																
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<p>Annexes</p>	<p>- A detailed budget will be provided later.</p>																																																																
<p>Preparation & supervision</p>	<p>Project designer: Mr. Ahmed Alsufi</p> <p>Director of projects preparation department: Dr. Hamza Abdeljawad</p>																																																																

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