



Specialized Training

**Managing corruption risks
in the health sector of Palestine**

26-28 July 2024

Amman, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

Programme

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Overview

The Palestinian Anti-Corruption Commission and the Ministry of Health in Palestine are collaborating with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) to institutionalize Sectoral Corruption Risk Management. This partnership aims to enhance governance integrity in the health sector, ensuring it can effectively deliver services that contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals, particularly SDG 3 on good health and well-being, and SDG 16 on peace, justice, and strong institutions.

As an initial step, UNDP held a specialized training session in Amman, Jordan (7-9 May 2023), attended by representatives of the Palestinian Anti-Corruption Commission, the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Finance, the Financial and Administrative Audit Bureau, and international experts. The training covered anti-corruption efforts in Palestine, focusing on the health sector, and introduced UNDP's Sectoral Corruption Risk Management methodology through practical exercises. It concluded with a discussion on best practices and implementation steps.

Following the training, the head of the Palestinian Anti-Corruption Commission (PACC) issued a decision establishing a task force to assess corruption risks across various sectors. Additionally, the Minister of Health formed a task force within the Ministry, comprising representatives from different departments, to assess and manage corruption risks.

To advance the implementation of the sectoral corruption risk management initiative, the UNDP is organizing a specialized training for the health sector **“Sectoral Corruption Risk Management in the Health Sector of Palestine.”** It will take place between 26-28 July 2024, in Amman, Jordan and is jointly supported by the UNDP Programme of Assistance to the Palestinian People and the regional project Anti-Corruption and Integrity in Arab Countries (ACIAC), which is implemented in partnership with the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA).

The training aims to equip the task force with a comprehensive understanding of UNDP's Sectoral Corruption Risk Management methodology and its application in Palestine's health sector. It will emphasize practical implementation, leveraging experiences from other Arab countries. UNDP experts will also review the task team's corruption risk assessment outcomes and conclude the session with an action plan outlining next steps and support needs.

The language used in the training is Arabic. Documents and pictures will be provided within two weeks following the training on www.undp-aciac.org.

Agenda

Day One: Friday 26 July 2024

08:30 – 09:00 Registration

09:00 – 10:00 Opening session

Welcome remarks

- Sylvain Merlen, Regional Programme Coordinator, Regional Hub for the Arab States, United Nations Development Programme

Statement of the Palestinian Anti-Corruption Commission (PACC)

- Dr. Jamal Qash, Vice Chair, Palestinian Anti-Corruption Commission

Statement of the Ministry of Health

- Dr. Wael Al-Sheikh, Deputy Minister of Health, State of Palestine

Pre- and post-training evaluation

10:00 – 10:30 Break

10:30 – 12:00 Session 1: International and national anti-corruption frameworks

International anti-corruption frameworks

- Dr. Haytham Yassine, Senior Anti-Corruption and Integrity Specialist, Regional Hub for the Arab States, United Nations Development Programme

National anti-corruption frameworks in Palestine in light of the international standards

- Abdullah Nawahdah, Head of the Legal Opinion Department, Palestinian Anti-Corruption Commission (PACC)

Discussion

12:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:15 Session 2: Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Methodology – Part I

Background on the development of the methodology

- Anouar Ben Khelifa, Senior Anti-Corruption and Integrity Specialist, Regional Hub for the Arab States, United Nations Development Programme

Discussion

15:15 – 15:45 Break

15:45 – 17:00 Session 3: Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Methodology – Part II

Presentation of the methodology

- Dr. Haytham Yassine, Senior Anti-Corruption and Integrity Specialist, Regional Hub for the Arab States, United Nations Development Programme

Discussion

Day Two: Saturday 27 July 2024

09:00 – 10:30 Session 4: Techniques of implementing UNDP’s Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Methodology – Part I

Identifying the “scope” and breaking it down to “decision points”

- Anouar Ben Khelifa, Senior Anti-Corruption and Integrity Specialist, Regional Hub for the Arab States, United Nations Development Programme

Practical exercises in small working groups

Presentation and discussion of findings

10:30 – 11:00 Break

11:00 – 13:00 Session 5: Techniques of implementing UNDP’s Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Methodology – Part II

Assessing the “impact”

- Dr. Haytham Yassine, Senior Anti-Corruption and Integrity Specialist, Regional Hub for the Arab States, United Nations Development Programme

Practical exercises in small working groups

Presentation and discussion of findings

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 16:00 Session 6: Techniques of implementing UNDP’s Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Methodology – Part III

Assessing the “likelihood” and generating a risk map

- Anouar Ben Khelifa, Senior Anti-Corruption and Integrity Specialist, Regional Hub for the Arab States, United Nations Development Programme

Practical exercises in small working groups

Presentation and discussion of findings

Day Three: Sunday 28 July 2024

09:00 – 11:00 Session 7: Joint review of the preliminary assessment of corruption risks in medication procurement

Moderator

- Dr. Haytham Yassine, Senior Anti-Corruption and Integrity Specialist, Regional Hub for the Arab States, United Nations Development Programme

Outcomes of the preliminary assessment

- Representatives of the health task team

11:00 – 11:30 Break

11:30 – 12:30 Closing session

Post-training evaluation

Recalling the Sectoral Corruption Risk Management Methodology

Follow-up steps on implementing the methodology in the health sector

Closing

12:30 Lunch
