



Memorandum of Understanding Between USAID-funded Health Systems Strengthening II Project and The University of Jordan

I. PARTIES

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is signed between the USAID-funded Health Systems Strengthening II Project (HSSII) and The University of Jordan (UJ).

II. BACKGROUND:

The University of Jordan is both a modern as well as old institution of Higher Education in Jordan. Established in 1962, the University has, since then, applied itself to the dissemination and advancement of knowledge. In its capacity as a comprehensive teaching, research and community-service institution, The University of Jordan enables its students to choose from a wide range of programs- more than 3500 different courses are offered by some 18 faculties.

Abt Associates is leading the Health Systems Strengthening II (HSSII) project, a five-year USAID-funded project, supporting improvements in the quality of services at hospital and primary health care levels. Interventions focus on addressing the country's important health priorities in family planning, reproductive health, neonatal care, essential obstetric care, and access to healthcare. One of the main HSSII strategies is to increase access to and quality of a wider range of family planning (FP) health services at Primary Health Care and Hospital levels, through integration of the reproductive health/family planning (RH/FP) information and service standards into relevant training program at The University of Jordan.

III. OBJECTIVES:

The aim of this MOU is to establish collaborative mechanisms with UJ to support efforts towards achieving national goals related to health and population through integration of HSS RH/FP information and service standards into medical, nursing and pharmaceutical curricula for undergraduate and postgraduate programs.

IV. AREAS AND MEANS OF COLLABORATION

Integrate RH/FP information and service standard within UJ medical, pharmaceutical and nursing undergraduate and postgraduate curricula

- Establish a technical working group from UJ and HSS II
- Review HSS RH/FP information and service standards and UJ relevant training curricula.

- Integrate the HSS RH/FP information and service standards into certain subjects where appropriate within UJ relevant training curricula
- To provide the opportunity for the UJ staff to have input in the process of standard & the guidelines development.

V. MECHANISMS OF COORDINATION

Regular meetings:


HSS II and UJ have agreed to have regular direct planning and follow up meetings.

Representatives

- **From HSS II:**
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