

Minimum Standards

for Prevention and Response to Gender-Based Violence in Emergencies

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PARTICIPATION

Communities, including women and girls, are engaged as active partners to end GBV and to promote survivors' access to services

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SOCIO-ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

Women and adolescent girls access livelihood support to mitigate the risk of GBV, and survivors access socio-economic support as part of a multi-sector response

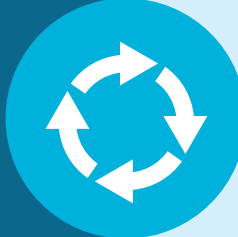
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NATIONAL SYSTEMS

Actions to prevent, mitigate and respond to GBV in emergencies strengthen national systems and build local capacities

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REFERRAL SYSTEMS

Referral systems are in place to connect women, girls and other at-risk groups to appropriate multi-sector GBV prevention and response services in a timely and safe manner

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SOCIAL & GENDER NORMS

Emergency preparedness, prevention and response programming promotes positive social and gender norms to address GBV

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MAINSTREAMING

GBV risk mitigation and survivor support are integrated across humanitarian sectors at every stage of the programme cycle and throughout the emergency response

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COLLECTING & USING DATA

Quality, disaggregated, gender-sensitive data on the nature and scope of GBV and on the availability and accessibility of services informs programming, policy and advocacy

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PREPAREDNESS & ASSESSMENT

Potential GBV risks and vulnerable groups are identified through quality, gender-sensitive assessments and risk mitigation measures are put in place before the onset of an emergency

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HEALTHCARE

GBV survivors, including women, girls, boys and men, access quality, life-saving healthcare services, with an emphasis on clinical management of rape

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COORDINATION

Coordination results in effective action to mitigate and prevent GBV and promote survivors' access to multi-sector services

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MENTAL HEALTH & PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

GBV survivors access quality mental health and psychosocial support focused on healing, empowerment and recovery

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ADVOCACY & COMMUNICATIONS

Coordinated advocacy and communications lead to increased funding and changes in policies and practice that mitigate the risk of GBV, promote resilience of women and girls and encourage a protective environment for all

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SAFETY & SECURITY

Safety and security measures are in place to prevent and mitigate GBV and protect survivors

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MONITORING & EVALUATION

Objective information collected ethically and safely is used to improve the quality and accountability of GBV programmes

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JUSTICE & LEGAL AID

The legal and justice sectors protect survivors' rights and support their access to justice consistent with international standards

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HUMAN RESOURCES

Qualified, competent and skilled staff are rapidly recruited and deployed to design, coordinate and/or implement programmes to prevent and respond to GBV in emergencies

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DIGNITY KITS

Culturally relevant dignity kits are distributed to affected populations to reduce vulnerability and connect women and girls to information and support services

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RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

Dedicated financial resources are mobilized in a timely manner to prevent, mitigate and respond to GBV in emergencies

“Together we must ensure that action to prevent and respond to gender-based violence is a priority — a systematic and unquestionable part of our humanitarian response, at the heart of UNFPA’s work to improve the health, safety, and well-being of women and girls in emergencies.”

— Babatunde Osotimehin, UNFPA Executive Director