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Introduction & Objectives

The number of medical graduates exceeds the available residency training positions leaving the vast majority of graduates without residency training. This lack of postgraduate training makes General Practitioners more likely to look for jobs within the Ministry of Health and often work in rural areas without mentoring or academic support.

Training these gatekeepers of the health care system is presumed to have a tremendous benefit on the whole system leading to better diagnosis, management, patient satisfaction and less referrals, which means less exhaustion of health care resources in several Governmental, Army/Public defender and Refugees international organizations.

The overarching goal of the FMDP is to improve the overall health of the Jordanians while decreasing healthcare costs.

The training is a comprehensive patient-centered program with a valuable hands-on experience in an outpatient setting under the supervision of highly qualified Family Medicine consultants and professors.

Ministry of Health



Royal Medical Services



UNRWA



Project Consortium- Six Partners



The Hashemite University



University of Jordan



Queen Mary University of London



Radboud University Medical Center



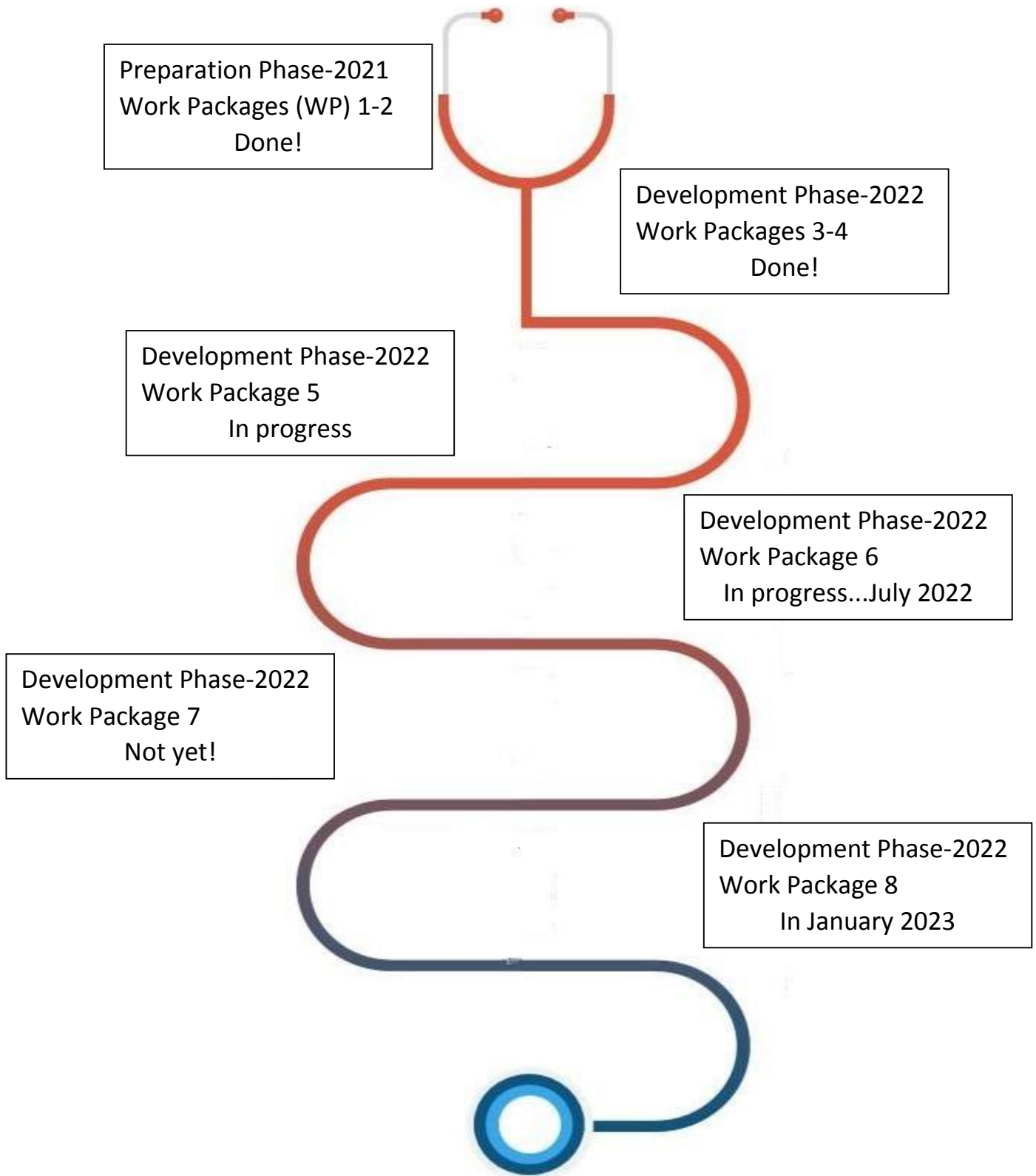
Jordan University of Science and Technology



Katholieke University Leuven

The project timeline

The duration of the project is 3 years starting from 2021.





First steps.... Getting the accreditation

Several meetings were held between the

project's coordinator and the

accreditation bodies in Jordan

including Jordan Medical Council

(JMC) and Ministry of Health (MOH)



Dr. Adnan Abdallat, Director of the JMC



Meeting the minister of health, and the head of Family Medicine training at the MOH

The project at the national level in Jordan



Under the patronage of the President of the Hashemite University, Prof. Dr. Fawaz Al-Abdulhaq Al-Zboun, a stakeholders meeting was held for the ERASMUS PLUS Family Medicine Diploma Program at Landmark Hotel, Amman on July 29th, 2021.

The meeting was attended by representatives of the ERASMUS PLUS office (via video communication technology), and representatives of the six participating European and Jordanian universities, the Jordanian Ministry of Health, the UNRWA, the Jordanian Medical Association, the Family Medicine Society and the private sector.

The meeting was inaugurated by the welcoming speech of Dr. Al-Zboun stating the importance of the project in improving health care.

Prof. Dr. Ahmed Abu Al Haija, the Director of Erasmus+ Jordan, talked about the projects supported by the European Union that are ongoing or had been completed and their impact on higher education in Jordan.

Dr. Amjad Al-Shdeifat, the project coordinator, gave an overview of the project and its importance in enhancing the level of primary health care in Jordan.

At the end, an open discussion took place about the project and suggestions were given for the optimal design solution for the project.



The FMDP



Jordan TV hosting Dr. Amjad Al-Shdeifat to talk about the idea and objectives of the program, September 29, 2021

Serving the local community

Around ten Jordanian doctors from different medical centers and organizations attended the training workshop in Primary Health Care at UNRWA HQ-Amman in October, 2021.



This workshop came in the framework of advancing the Jordanian doctors working in the primary health care sector. Dr. Amjad AL Shdaifat; the coordinator of the Family Medicine Diploma Programme (FMDP) project, coordinated the workshop as one of the project objectives.



UNRWA is one of the stakeholders aspiring to be involved in the project in the near future.



Dissemination in the local conferences

A Special Talk about Family Medicine Diploma Program Project

"Primary Health Care Diploma" was presented by Dr. Amjad Shdaifat

during The 13th Conference of Jordan Society of Family Medicine on

November 4th, 2021 at the Crown Plaza Hotel/ Dead Sea



Cluster Meeting: CBHE management: challenges & solutions

Time: November 8th, 2021

Place: Landmark Hotel, Amman

09:00 – 10:00	Registration to the meeting and welcome coffee
10:00 – 11:30	<p><u>Session 1: Impact, Sound management, and Communication and Visibility Requirements</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact of Erasmus+ in Jordan, Prof. Ahmad Abu-El-Haija, NEO Jordan • Sound Project Management: Project Reporting (how to prepare progress and final report, focusing on the impact of project results including indicators from LFM), Clivio Casali, EACEA • Communication and Visibility Requirements, Mr. Pietro Ienna, EU Delegation, Amman
11:30 – 12:00	Group Photo / Coffee break and networking
<p><i>In the upcoming sessions, participants will present challenges encountered throughout various stages of CBHE projects and how they overcame them</i></p>	
12:00 – 13:00	<p><u>Session 2: Project Management. Preparation and Development Work Packages</u> (Chair: Prof. Moh'd Taleb Obaidat)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Management (Committees, decision-making, operational management, financial management, communication, distribution of work, time management and partnership agreement), Prof. Ahmed Al-Salaymeh, UoJ (HEALING) • Preparation Work Package (Needs analysis, survey, ...), Eng. Iyad Al-Ashram, Int@j (ELEGANT) and Dr. Louai Dabbour, ZUJ (HANDS) • Development Work Package (Accreditation, design of the project, staff readiness, equipment, platforms, tracking of students), Dr. Mohammad Nazzal, JUST (JUST_CRS) • Q & A
13:00 – 13:30	Coffee break and networking
13:30 – 14:15	<p><u>Session3: Management of the CBHE projects within Universities. (Panelists: Ms. Rasha Al-Hmoud, Mr. Haidar Al-Khoshman GJU, and Ms. Reham Dannoun UJ)</u> (Chair: Mrs. Asma Al-Smadi)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internal regulations • Technical management • Financial management • Archiving system <p>Panel Discussion, Panelist: University of Jordan</p>
14:15 – 14:45	<p><u>Session 4: Quality Assurance. Dissemination and Exploitation</u> (Chair: Prof. Walid Salameh)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality Assurance (Quality plan, quality of deliverables, external evaluator, ...), Dr. Saud Thunibat, AHU (IREEDER) • Dissemination and Exploitation (Dissemination plan, activities and target groups, how to reach each target group, sustainability plan, how to maximize impact, how to engage SHs), Eng. Fadel Allabadi, Amman Chamber of Industry (FOSTEX) and Prof. Omar Al-Maaitah, TTU (JOB-JO) <p>Q & A</p>
14:45 – 15:00	Open discussion and closing remarks
15:00 – 16:00	Lunch and networking



Cluster Meeting



The Netherlands visit/ May 9-12: Staff Training at Radboud UMC- Nijmegen/ Netherlands. WP 5

The Netherlands visit attendees included the Jordanian partners (Amjad Al Shdaifat/HU, Ben Colton/HU, Lana Halaseh/UJ, Adi Khasawaneh/JUST, Thekayat Al Quran/JUST), and the European partners (Anita Berlin/QMUL, Safiya Virji/QMUL, Birgitte Schoemakers/KU Leuven, and Alexandra Van Landuyt/KU Leuven).

The Netherlands team of the Radboud University consisted of Marleen Jiskoot-vanEwijk, Guus Busser and Janet Kooper.

On the first day, a tour of Radboud Medical Center and campus in Nijmegen was led by the Netherlands team introducing partners to the head of the international department discussing an array of exchange programs and partnerships with medical departments from international universities.

Another tour of a Family Health Center was concluded by a presentation on the organization of healthcare in the Netherlands, specifically as it pertained to the Family Health sector.



Visiting the Health Center



Getting to know the Dutch Primary Health Care

Training the trainers session was conducted by GP trainers who are mostly psychologists helping GPs with issues arising from their time with the trainees.

Examples from that week were discussed and beneficial approaches were given by the GP trainers.

Another workshop included a presentation on the history of GP training in the Netherlands

followed by small group discussions on family medicine in an international setting. The groups consisted of the project partners and GPs from South Africa and the Netherlands.



Management meetings are always fruitful when they are face-to-face ;)

Latest news can be found on the partners' institutions websites

The Hashemite University

<https://hu.edu.jo/cbhe/index.aspx?typ=16&unitid=70000001>

The University of Jordan

http://www.ju.edu.jo/Lists/EUProjects/Disp_form_new.aspx?ID=28

Jordan University of Science and Technology

<https://www.just.edu.jo/Deanships/DeanshipofResearch/Pages/display.aspx?List=News&SID=36>

Queen Mary University of London

<https://www.qmul.ac.uk/ihse/news/family-medicine-diploma-program-project/>

Katholieke University Leuven

<https://www.kuleuven.be/global/projects/impact/index>

Radboud University Medical Center news

https://us12.campaign-archive.com/?e=test_email_&u=11ca61470f19f06c19c963e93&id=279517d650



ELG helpt bij de opzet van een huisartsopleiding in Jordanië Samen met de Universiteit van Leuven en de Queen Mary University of London is er een samenwerking om in Jordanië een goede opleiding tot huisarts te organiseren. In Jordanië kent een goede opleiding tot huisartsopleiding tot zich specialiseren in bijvoorbeeld algemene huisartsopleiding. Omdat hier een tekort aan huisartsen is, is het aantal basisartsen beperkt. Marleen Jiskoot, projectleider van deze opleiding, heeft daarom gevraagd bij het opzetten van een huisartsopleiding in Jordanië. Daarmee kunnen we de huidige situatie van één jaar aanbieden gericht op algemene huisartsopleiding. Omdat hier een tekort aan huisartsen vanuit Leuven, Londen en andere landen is, wordt een Jordaanse delegatie van artsen naar Leuven en Londen verzonden om te werken als een soort huisartsopleiding. Er wordt gestreefd naar een systeem van huisartsopleiding en er wordt ons laten zien hoe wij de opleiding kunnen organiseren. Het bezoek is vooral gericht op het uitwisselen van gedachten te wisselen over de huisartsopleiding en aanpak. Op de foto zien we Marleen Jiskoot (links), oud-ELG-gediene Guus Busser (links) en Janet Kooper (rechts).

ELG helps set up GP training in Jordan
Together with the University of Leuven and the Queen Mary University of London, our department is a partner in an international collaboration to set up a one-year GP training in Jordan. Jordan has a good education as a basic doctor. After basic training, doctors can specialize in, for example, family medicine. That's another four-year course. Because a points system and a maximum age are attached to this, the number of basic doctors who specialize as general practitioners is low. The consequence of this is that primary care physicians provide general practitioner care in practice. Marleen Jiskoot is project leader from our department: "Jordan has requested European help in setting up a one-year Family Medicine/Primary Care course. This means that we can offer the current pool of basic doctors a kind of plus module of one year, aimed at work as a general practitioner. As a result, the quality of basic care as a whole is higher". Last January, a team of GPs from Leuven, London and Nijmegen visited locations in Jordan. In May this year, a Jordanian delegation of doctors will visit Nijmegen. Marleen: "The general practitioners in Jordan work as a kind of specialist on referral from the basic doctor. The aim is to achieve a system as we know it in the Netherlands. In May, the general practitioners and representatives of the Jordanian ministry will visit us to see how we have organized training and care. Something that we would of course like to show! The visit coincides with the visit of Surinamese colleagues with whom there has been an exchange for some time. A great opportunity to exchange ideas internationally about the structure of GP care and to learn from each other's culture and approach. In the photo above we see Marleen (far right), former ELG-servant Guus Busser (left) and VOHA teacher Janet Kooper (second from left).

English Translation

Keep yourself updated by following these links

The official website: <https://hu.edu.jo/cbhe/Default.aspx>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Primary-Health-Care->

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/feed/>

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