

Ready Respond Resource Reflect Repair Reimagine Renew Recover



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It is essential to **Reflect** on the impact of the conflict on Syria and its people. **Respond** to the crisis and immediate humanitarian needs. **Reach** out and provide essential health services to the vulnerable. **Resource** the health system with the necessary medical supplies and equipment. **Recover** the health system to provide equitable and quality care.



The ongoing conflicts have severely impacted the health system and the people who depend on it. When emergencies arise, such as natural disasters or sudden outbreaks of disease, it is important to have a plan in place to ensure that essential health services continue to be provided.



Ready

to respond to emergencies, prevent disease and support the continuity of essential health service in Syria, despite ongoing crises and their impact on the health system.





The conflict in Syria has caused disruption of services and damage to health facilities, schools and homes. This has resulted in a humanitarian crisis with millions of Syrians in need of basic services including health. WHO and partners have scaled up the response to address critical gaps in health care delivery.



Respond

to people affected by ongoing emergencies and disease outbreaks by providing essential services, life-saving medicine and supplies, strengthening surveillance, and enabling the health workforce.

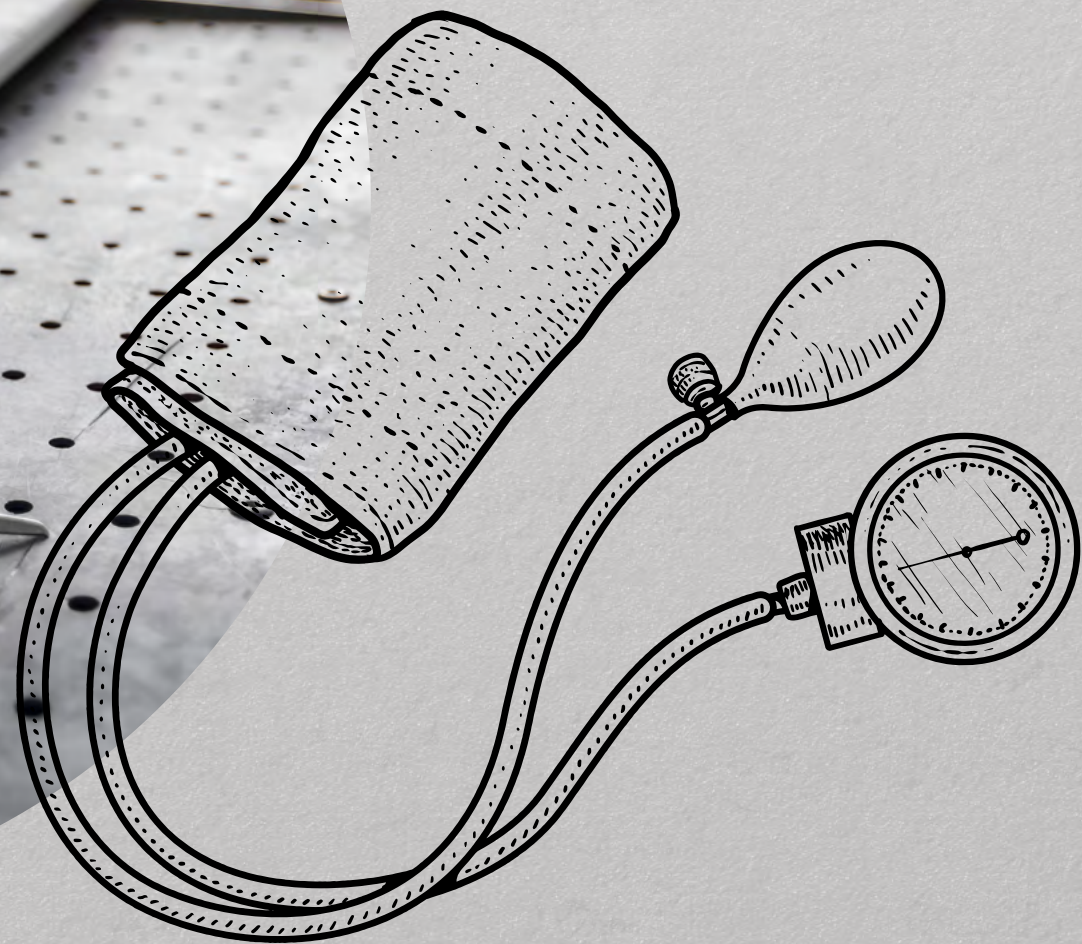
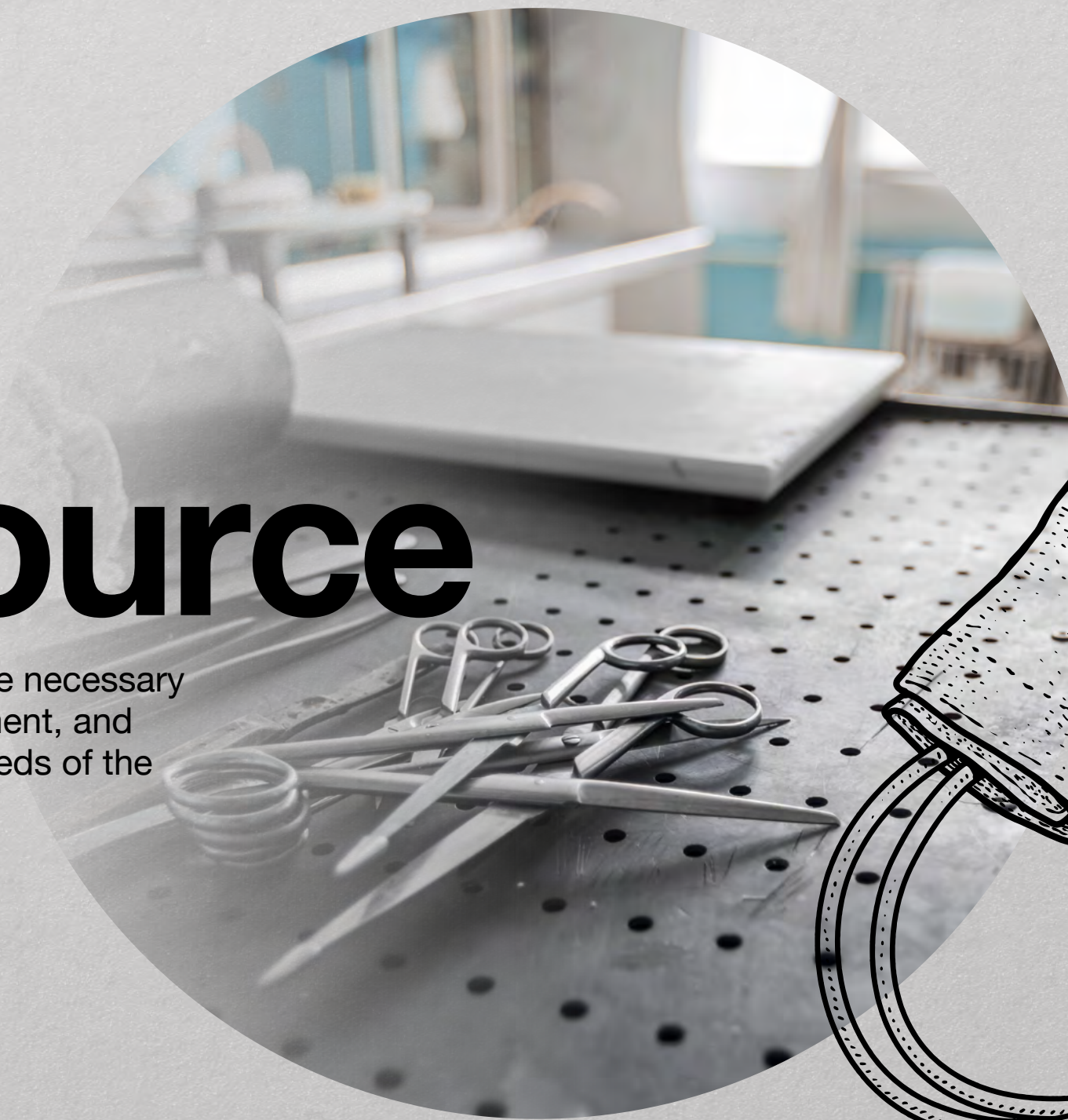




Health systems require a strong supply chain management system to ensure medical supplies and equipment are available, along with an adequate number of health personnel to provide quality care.

Resource

the health system with the necessary medical supplies, equipment, and personnel to meet the needs of the Syrian people.





The crisis has mobilized a large-scale humanitarian response which has addressed critical gaps in health care delivery. Durable solutions should be explored to save lives and improve quality of life.

Reflect

on the conflict impact in Syria
and the current obstacles
that remain and explore more
durable solutions.





Amid the ruins of conflict, repair work on Syria's health system is underway. Half of health facilities remain partially and/or non-functional. Every restored clinic and hospital contributes to the overall recovery. Beyond physical infrastructures, it's the revitalization of essential health services that brings renewed hope and paints a healthier future for Syria.



Repair

damaged health infrastructure, replenish essential equipment and supplies, and strengthen the capacity of the health workforce.



Despite challenges, hope remains. We're reshaping Syria's health landscape with innovative solutions and revisiting essential services. It is high time to revamp the health system and create a healthier tomorrow.

Reimagine

a vibrant health future for Syria,
where care is inclusive, technology
drives innovation, and services
rapidly adapt to fulfill every health
need.





We're on a shared journey to revitalize the health system, ensuring it serves everyone, everywhere. It's about fostering resilience, building capacities, and prioritizing inclusivity. Together, we can create an environment that ensures every Syrian has the chance to live a healthier, fulfilling life.



Renew

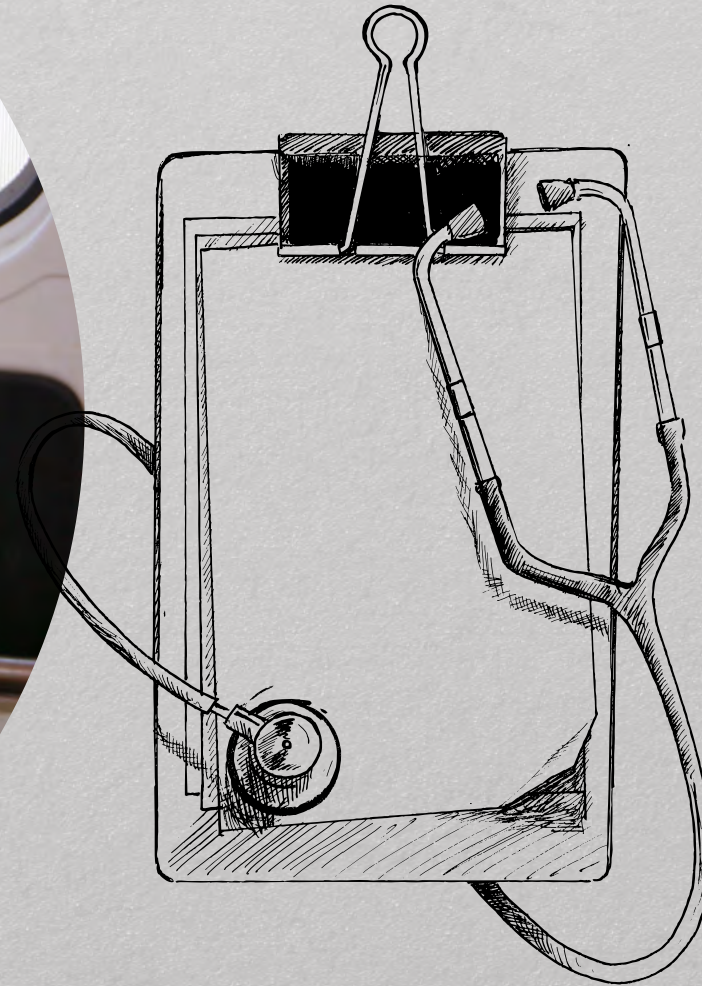
the commitment to the Syrian people and communities to strengthen and recover the health system to provide 'Health for All by All'.



The resilience of Syria shines in the renewal of its health system. Each health service restored, each clinic revitalized, reaffirms our commitment to reignite hope and create a stronger, healthier Syria for all.

Recover

the health system and resources needed to provide quality care to all Syrians.



Rebuild Hope Again

WHO aims to enhance the public health system and reach the most vulnerable people in Syria with essential health services and promote well-being. WHO is committed to strengthen preparedness and response and system resilience.

Health situation

Syria is experiencing a protracted complex political and socio-economic crisis that has resulted in a severe deterioration of living conditions. The already fragile health system is overstretched with additional strain from the COVID-19 pandemic. At least 15.3 million people need health assistance.

Based on HeRAMS December 2022, out of the 203 assessed public hospitals, 60% (121) are reported fully functioning, 16% (33) hospitals are reported partially functioning (e.g., shortage of staff, equipment, medicines or damage of the building in some cases), while 23% (46) are reported non-functioning. Furthermore, out of 1780 assessed public health centres, 55% (1107) are reported fully functioning, 14% (287) partially functioning, 31% (620) non-functioning.

Essential health service infrastructure – such as hospitals and health centres, as well as medical equipment and devices require extensive maintenance and rehabilitation to provide a minimum level of service delivery.

The already-fragile health system is overstretched with additional strain from the fuel crisis, the COVID-19 pandemic, and multiple consecutive disease outbreaks of polio, meningitis, measles, and cholera. Laboratory and diagnostic capacities are insufficient across Syria.

The recent earthquake has led to over 5,900 deaths and 12,800 injuries, compounding the ongoing health crisis.

Spread of disease and deteriorating health and nutrition outcomes are further exacerbated by poorly functioning WASH services and health facilities' operational capacity.

Gaps in sufficient and specialized health workers, medical equipment and devices, and access challenges – particularly for persons with disability, have disrupted continuity of care for the prevention and treatment of cardio-vascular and renal diseases, diabetes, cancer, psychosocial and mental health distress, and maternal and child health needs.

After 12 years of crisis, while humanitarian needs persist a focus to enhance health system resilience is key to address health inequity and ensure access to health for the Syrian population.



Health Humanitarian Needs (2023)

People in Need

15.3 million

People Targeted

11.5 million



7.6 million

women



6.8 million

children



2.7 million

people with disabilities

Funding Requirements (US\$)

\$628.5 million

WHO Key Achievements (2022)

9,636,451

Treatment courses
of life-saving and
life-sustaining medicine provided

3,081,546

Medical procedures
provided

234,103

Mental health consultations
supported

429,369

Trauma consultations
supported

2,194,789

Outpatient consultations
provided

29,875

Health care providers
trained

1,995

EWARS/EWARN
surveillance sentinel
sites

1,933

Total weight (tons) of
all delivered health
supplies

1,133

Regular deliveries across
the country, including IA
(through cross-line and
cross-border)

Reframing Priorities

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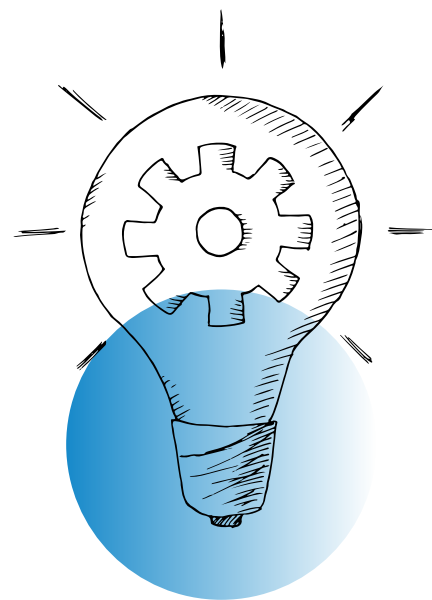
Moving towards Universal Health Coverage by adapting the health system to be resilient, accessible, and of good quality.

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Protecting people from emergencies by strengthening national and sub-national emergency preparedness and response.

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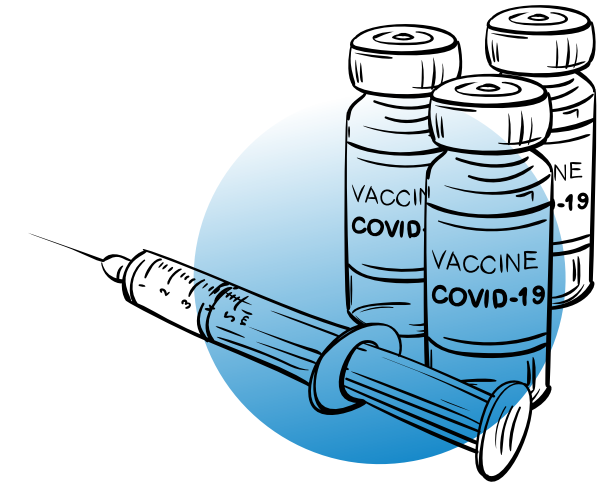
Advocating for and building a conducive policy environment to promote health and well-being.



Challenging The Odds



Resilience Amidst Adversity



Within the protracted crisis, WHO along with health partners and donors, have focused efforts to respond to emerging humanitarian health needs, scale up capacity in response to outbreaks and sustain service delivery through provision of medicine and supplies, capacity building of health workers, strengthening surveillance

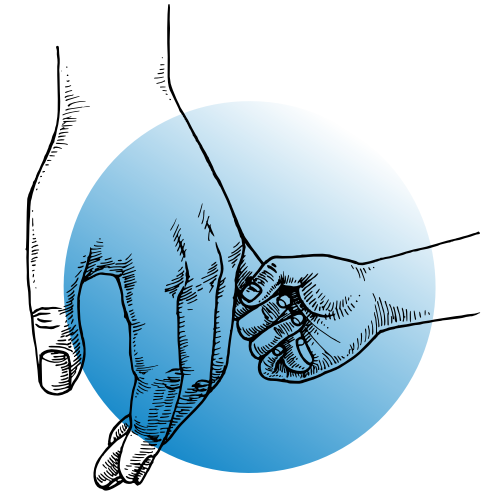
and information systems and filling in critical service gaps at community level, among other initiatives.

Despite overwhelming odds, there is an opportunity for change and a beacon of hope for a healthier Syria. Joint efforts continue in order to achieve health for all by all.

Resilience in Recovery



Shaping a Healthier Tomorrow

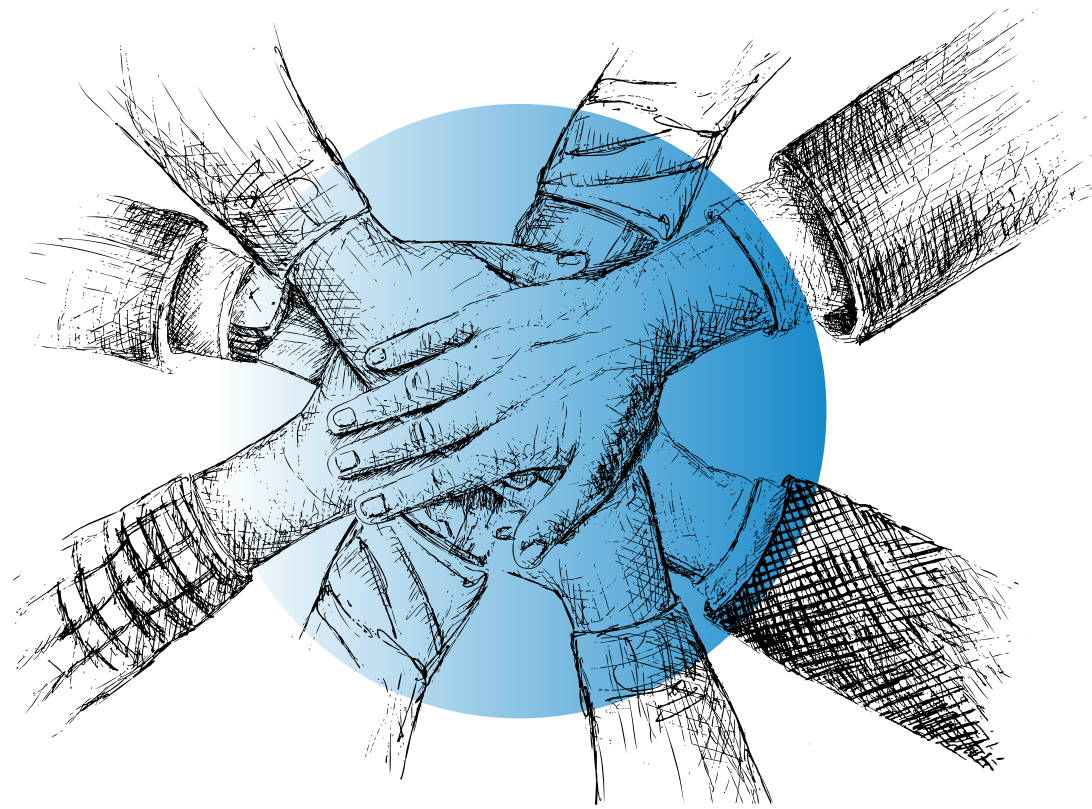


Humanitarian efforts, during the 12-year crisis, have addressed gaps in health care delivery, and continue to do so with the deteriorating economic situation. However, integrating resilience and early recovery is necessary. This would promote more sustainable initiatives and better return on investment.

The road to recovery and resilience in Syria is challenging, but we are committed to standing by the people of Syria every step of the way.

Together, we can ensure that every Syrian has the opportunity to live a healthier, more hopeful life. This is our shared mission and collective commitment.

Become an **Advocate** of Change



Your support can help us build bridges to a healthier, brighter future for Syria. In this journey of healing and hope, every contribution writes a new story.



React

and be a part of the impact