

**Reproductive Health Working Group (RHWG)  
Annual Meeting (July 15-17, 2009)  
Agenda**

<b>Day One: July 15<sup>th</sup></b>		
09:00 - 09:30	<b>Introductions and Welcome:</b> Dr. Riad Asfari, Dean, Faculty of Medicine, University of Aleppo	Jocelyn DeJong, Hyam Bashour
09:30 - 10:30	<b>Session I: Opening Presentation:</b> Palestinian Women under Extreme Israeli Military Enforced Decentralization and Fragmentation of the Occupied Palestinian Territory	Rita Giacaman
10:30 - 11:00	Discussion	
<b>11:00 - 11:30</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
<b>11:30 - 01:15</b>	<b>Session II: Violence, Suffering and Health</b> (Chair: Dalita Cetinoglu)	
11:30 - 11:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Where is the Health in Refugee Health? The paradoxes of humanitarian intervention</li> </ul>	Viet Nguyen-Gillham
11:45 - 12:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gazan Women and Midwives: Trapped between Bullets and Labor Pains</li> </ul>	Laura Wick and Sahar Hassan-Bitar
12:00 - 12:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Early Marriage in Post-Conflict Nahr el Bared Refugee Camp, Lebanon</li> </ul>	Sonya Knox
12:15 - 12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On Land-mines, Phantom Limbs and Prostheses: Cultural Politics of Amputation in War-Torn Turkey</li> </ul>	Can Aciksoz
12:30 - 01:15	Discussion	
<b>01:15 - 02:45</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
<b>02:45 - 04:30</b>	<b>Session III: Improving Childbirth</b> (Chair: Jocelyn DeJong)	
02:45 - 03:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mobilizing Women to Change Maternity Services: A Cluster Randomized Control Study</li> </ul>	Tamar Kabakian-Khasholian
03:00 - 03:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Progress to Date of the RCT Designed to Assess the Efficacy of a Postpartum Going-home Package on Post-partum Maternal Health-seeking Behavior</li> </ul>	Nevine Hassanein and Mohamed Cherine
03:15 - 03:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improving Women's Satisfaction with Labour and Delivery by Improving Doctors' Communication Skills: A Randomized Trial in Syria</li> </ul>	Hyam Bashour on behalf of research team
03:30 - 03:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jordanian Women's Experience of Support during Labor by Female Relatives</li> </ul>	Reham Alkhresheh
03:45 - 04:30	Discussion	
<b>07:30 - Open</b>	<b>Group Dinner at Godaida Emerald Restaurant</b>	

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<b>Day Two: July 16<sup>th</sup></b>		
<b>09:00 - 10:45</b>	<b>Session IV: Health Equity and Social Policy</b> (Chair: Farha Ghannam)	
09:00 - 09:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contesting Relative Deprivation: The Ras Beirut Well-Being Survey</li> </ul>	Afamia Kaddour
09:15 - 09:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Health Sector Reform and Women's Equitable Access to Reproductive Health Services</li> </ul>	Abd El Moneim Farag
09:30 - 09:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bedouins of Lebanon: How are Social Inequalities Shaping Women's Reproductive Health Status?</li> </ul>	Faysal El Kak
09:45 - 10:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gender Inequalities in Functional Disabilities Among the Elderly in Oman</li> </ul>	Asya Al-Riyami
10:00 - 10:45	Discussion	
<b>10:45 - 11:15</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
<b>11:15 - 12:30</b>	<b>Session V: Women's Health Beyond Reproductive Health</b> (Chair: Huda Zurayk)	
11:15 - 11:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What is Causing the Rapid Reversal of the Social Gradient of Obesity among Egyptian Women?</li> </ul>	Amina Aitsi-Selmi
11:30 - 11:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Review of Physical Activity Among Men and Women in the GCC States</li> </ul>	Ruth M Mabry
11:45 - 12:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adherence to Antiretroviral Therapy for HIV/AIDS in Egypt</li> </ul>	Abdallah Badahdah
12:00 - 12:45	Discussion	
<b>12:45 - 02:15</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
<b>02:15 - 04:00</b>	<b>Session VI: Motherhood: Health, Domestic Politics, Work Pressures</b> (Chair: Niveen Abu-Rmeileh)	
02:15 - 02:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Women's Perceptions of Maternity Leave in Lebanon</li> </ul>	Chaza Akik
02:30 - 02:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fundraising to Keep my Children Healthy: the daily dilemma of mothers in Ain Es-Sira</li> </ul>	Lenka Benova and Heba Gowayed
02:45 - 03:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scientific Motherhood in Turkey</li> </ul>	Elif Ekin Aksit
03:00 - 03:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maternal Mortality in Morocco: Two Decades of Challenge</li> </ul>	Manal Benkirane
03:15 - 04:00	Discussion	
<b>06:00 - Open</b>	<b>Optional Visit to Aleppo Citadel with a guided tour</b>	

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<b>Day Three: July 17<sup>th</sup></b>		
<b>09:00 - 10:30</b>	<b>Session VII: Gender Constructions and Gendered Lives</b> (Chair: Lenka Benova)	
09:00 - 09:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Singlehood in Palestine</li> </ul>	Weeam Hammoudeh and Niveen Abu-Rmeileh
09:15 - 09:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determinants of Unsafe Abortion in Egypt. Why do Women Abort?</li> </ul>	Hala El Damanhoury
09:30 - 09:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Becoming a Man: Male/Female Interaction and the Making of Gendered Identities in Cairo</li> </ul>	Farha Ghannam
09:45 - 10:30	<b>Discussion</b>	
<b>10:30 - 10:45</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
<b>10:45 - 12:15</b>	<b>Session VIII: Women and Cancer</b> (Chair: Belgin Tekce)	
10:45 - 11:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Qualitative Study of the Unmet Information and Support Needs of Women Diagnosed with Breast Cancer in Egypt</li> </ul>	Naglaa Elnahal
11:00 - 11:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Social and Cultural Implications of the HPV Vaccine in Turkey</li> </ul>	Yaprak Sarıışık
11:15 - 11:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cervical Cancer, Sexuality and Gender Identity in Turkey</li> </ul>	Aysecan Terzioglu
11:30 - 12:15	<b>Discussion</b>	
<b>12:15 - 12:30</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
<b>12:30 - 02:00</b>	<b>Session IX: Open Session on RHWG: Assessing the Past and Looking to the Future</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Discussion</li> <li>• Closing</li> </ul>	
<b>02:00 - 03:30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
<b>03:30 - Open</b>	<b>Half-day Tour to St. Simon Church (Qalaet Sama'an)</b>	