Games on inclusion of age, disability and gender in preparedness and humanitarian response

Rights-based model to programming
Game title: Rights-based model to programming

**Overview:** Teams race to identify the rights-based approach to programming and find specific examples of human rights, participation and inclusion, and capacity building in scenarios.

**Learning objectives:**
By the end of the game players will be able to recognise how different needs can be addressed using a rights-based model.

**Who should play the game?**
Individuals who would like to learn about how the rights-based model can be applied in humanitarian programming.

**Number of players:** 4 or more

**Materials required:**
- Resource 1: Print and cut one set of the Scenarios per team
- Resource 2: Print one copy of the Task sheet per player or per pair
- Resource 3: Print one copy of the scenarios with facilitator tips for the facilitator

**Estimated time required:** 45-60 minutes

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**Facilitator instructions:**
You (the facilitator) should read through all the material and ensure you are familiar with the different models explained on the task sheet. You will need to select the sector specific scenarios from Resource 1 that you would like the players to use in the game (it is recommended that you choose two to four sectors depending on the time available). You will then need to print one or two copies of the scenarios for your chosen sector for each team to use.

**Step 1:** Explain to players that they will work in teams of between two and four and that each team will be given a task sheet which explains the rights-based approach to programming and instructions for the task. Each team will also be given a set of scenarios based on different sectors.

**Step 2:** Ask players to form teams of two to four players, sitting around a table or on the floor.

**Step 3:** Give each team the sector scenarios that you have pre-selected and prepared along with a task sheet (Resource 2).

**Step 4:** Talk through the task sheet and the different models, answering any questions that players have. Explain that for each sector there is an example of a human rights model of programming and an example of a non-inclusive programme (e.g. a charity model or medical model). They must first identify which scenario is human rights based and then highlight evidence of the three core principles of human rights-based programming (Human Rights, Inclusion and Participation, Capacity Building) in the scenario.

**Step 5:** Allocate a suitable time depending on how many scenarios you have asked the teams to work on (normally at least 5 minutes is required for each scenario).
Step 6: After the allocated time has finished, ask everyone to stop working. Check that all teams have correctly identified the human rights programming scenario and invite groups to share the evidence of the core principles to support their selections. If appropriate you may choose to award points to teams for correctly identifying examples. If you decide to do this inform teams at Step 3 before they begin playing.

Step 7: Debrief the game
Include the following questions:
• What is the impact on individuals when using the human rights-based approach?
• What is the impact for communities when using the human rights-based approach?
• What are the risks if we don’t programme using a rights-based model?
• What challenges do you see to using this model?
• How could your programmes adopt the model? What examples can you share that we could learn from (either as lessons learnt or good practice)?

Explain that these scenarios all used the Humanitarian inclusion standards for older people and people with disabilities (HIS). The HIS can help guide your programmes to ensure an inclusive rights-based approach is used. Encourage players to review the HIS.

Level of facilitation required: High

Possible adaptations to game:
You may want to adapt the scenarios to suit the context in which you are working or play the game as a matching activity. You may also consider giving different sector scenarios to different teams and then asking the teams to present their findings to each other either. If you have four teams of four players, have one player from each team get together to form a new team of four to share their conclusions.

Suggested games to play before or after this game:
• How to use the HIS key standards
• How to use the HIS sector standards
• Using the protection inclusion standards
• What is dignity?
| **Protection** | The camp authorities have put in place a reporting and surveillance system of protection against sexual violence and abuse within the camp. The system has not been disseminated in an accessible way and many older women, and women and girls with disabilities, have been left out. Furthermore, most security personnel are men and not sensitised to disability, which makes it difficult for them to address their complaints. |
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| **WASH** | Two boxes of diapers are given to parents of children with disabilities every month by a local charity. It is not enough; families are asking for more. Adults who have bladder issues are not considered in this response. |
| After a series of community meetings, families raise the idea of hiring four women in the camp who can sew, including women with disabilities, to make reusable diapers for children and adults. The diapers are bought by the NGO and then provided as part of the NFI kits to families who need them, including women, men, girls and boys with and without disabilities. |

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<td><strong>Food security and livelihood</strong></td>
<td>Livelihood and cash-for-work programmes are designed so that older people and people with disabilities can participate. Through support to self-help groups, or the establishment of Age and Disability Focal Points, awareness of the capacities of these groups is raised in cluster meetings and other coordination mechanisms.</td>
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### Resource 2: Programming approaches

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<td>Disability seen as a result of limitations imposed by environmental barriers.</td>
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**For example:**

**Donate** some food or money

**Physical rehabilitation:** fit a prosthetic leg and train the person on how to utilise and maintain it

In addition to the physical rehabilitation, **adjust the environment** to facilitate the person's participation:
- Universal design in reconstruction activities
- Awareness campaigns aiming to reduce discrimination

**Empowerment:** In addition to physical rehabilitation and adjusting the environment:
- Needs based training for inclusion in livelihood activities
- Psychosocial support to enhance self esteem
- Advocate for rights of people with disabilities and vulnerable groups
- Work with disabled people’s organisation (DPOs) and other specialised groups

### Human rights-based approach core principles:

- **Human Rights**
- **Participation and Inclusion**
- **Capacity Building**

### Task:

You have been provided with a description of two programmes in the same sector.

1. Read the descriptions and identify which programme uses a human rights-based approach to programming.
2. Identify at least two examples of the core principles of the rights-based approach in the programme description.
## Resource 3: Scenarios with facilitator tips

Shaded boxes contain the rights based approach example

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- Participation
- Right to feel safe
- WASH
- Right to dignity
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