Work Assignments Overview

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| Tasks/Milestones | Deliverables/Outputs | Timeline |
| Draft national school meal standards and gather feedback from relevant stakeholders.Task#1Make recommendations for existing regulatory documents and create a model for a nationwide school meals program.Task#1 | Draft School meals standards developed and approved by UNICEF Recommendations for updating the school meal standards and meal requirements for school meal programs and draft model for a nationwide school meals program developed and approved by UNICEF  | By End of July, 2024 |
| Facilitate a roundtable with key stakeholders to present and discuss pilot school meal projects and their implications for the national school meal program including school meal standards .Task#1Facilitate consultations with national stakeholders for standards development and adoptionConduct an analysis of the situation of the Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative (BFHI) at medical facilities providing care and assistance to pregnant women, mothers, and children in the Republic of Kazakhstan.Task#5 | Round table on presentation and discussion of the pilot school meal projects including school meal standards conducted, minutes and round table resolution are available Results of analysis of the situation of the BFHI at medical facilities are available and approved by UNICEF | By End of August, 2024 |
| Develop a plan to protect, promote, and encourage breastfeeding. Implement the Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative in all birthing and childcare facilities, and improve health care personnel's capacity to promote and ensure breastfeeding.Task#5Finalize the national school meal program model, including standards, and update related documents.Task#1 | A working plan is developed, discussed with the working group on protection, promotion, and support for breastfeeding, and approved/agreed upon by the Ministry of Health.School meals standards and the final version of national school meals model approved by UNICEF and submitted to the relevant Ministries for endorsement | By End of September, 2024 |
| Facilitate the training process for national and regional trainers and experts on the implementation of the ten steps to successful breastfeeding and BFHI assessment and certification.Task#5Develop training modules and materials for national and regional trainers and experts to apply the Ten Steps to Successful Breastfeeding and the BFHI assessment and certification. Task#5 | TORs for trainers, training package (concept note, agenda, list of participants, invitational letters, handouts) are available and approved by UNICEF Draft training modules (training materials including pre- and post-training assessment) for national and regional trainers and experts on the implementation of the Ten Steps to Successful Breastfeeding and BFHI assessment and certification available and approved by UNICEF | By End of October, 2024 |
| Develop a draft concept note on healthy nutrition promotion for preschool children in Kazakhstan Task#2Conduct training for national and regional trainers and experts on the implementation of the Ten Steps to Successful Breastfeeding and BFHI assessment and certificationTask#5 | Concept note on nutrition assessment in preschool settings in several regions of Kazakhstan, healthy nutrition promotion for preschool children and healthy school meals organization in preschool settings in Kazakhstan is developed25 national and regional trainers and experts on the implementation of the Ten Steps to Successful Breastfeeding and BFHI assessment and certification are trained. Report of the training with pre and post training evaluation results is available and approved by UNICEF | By end of November, 2024 |
| Facilitate preparation for preschool meals assessment; develop methodology and tools.Task#2Development of methodology and tools for study of factors influencing women in their decisions to breastfeed after deliveryTask#4 | Methodology and tools for conducting assessment of meals in preschool settings in several regions in Kazakhstan are available and approved by UNICEFMethodology and tools for study of factors influencing women in their decisions to breastfeed after delivery are available and approved by UNICEF | By end of December, 2024 |
| Develop a concept of the website on children nutrition, incl. school nutrition Task#3Facilitate preparation with Ministry of health for the study of factors influencing women in their decisions to breastfeed after deliveryTask#4 | Concept of the website on children nutrition: idea framework, information architecture, the content strategy approved by UNICEF The MOH approves the study protocol, sample and tools for obstetric and primary health care organizations serving pregnant women and children. | By end of January, 2025 |
|  Gather evidence and conduct a desk review to analyse the costs of the school meal program and list all its benefits to advocate for proper budgeting for the school meal program. Task#1 | Desk review for costs and benefits of the school meal program is available and approved by UNICEF | By end of February, 2025 |
| In coordination with MOH and MOE coordinate the preschool meals assessmentTask#2Conduct field trip to assist the carrying out preschool meals assessmentTask#2 | The final report is available and approved by UNICEFReport on field trip is available and approved by UNICEF | By end of March, 2025 |