MOU between LHW (Lady Health Worker program) and THF (The Health Foundation) for preventing Hepatitis B/C in Sindh

The Health Foundation is a nonprofit public service organization. It is a group of likeminded individuals who are concerned about the general health of the marginalized and poor community. This group consists of successful entrepreneurs, experienced physicians, media and advertising personnel. Each member brings social consciousness and a wealth of experience in their respective fields. By working together on a common platform they all contribute towards achieving the organization vision of "striving for a healthier Pakistan"

Initial task set by THF is awareness, prevention, collaboration and treatment of Hepatitis.

Lady Health Workers (LHWs) are the front line Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (MNCH) care providers in the community and their contribution in bringing about change in health indicators cannot be over emphasized.

Collaboration between THF and the LHW program is expected to form an affective health care foundation and establish a network connecting community to requisite health care services for the prevention and cure of Hepatitis

This Memorandum of Understanding is being signed to define responsibilities of THF and the LHW program

The Health Foundation

- Will provide Technical Assistance for orientation of LHS/LHW in Hepatitis control protocols
- Will provide requisite logistics and supplies for vaccination (through THF field staff) as well as awareness sessions of target population in selected areas
- Will support in organizing and holding facility/community based social mobilization/ BCC sessions and events in selected areas

LHW program

- LHWs will Identify and register all pregnant. Hepatitis B positive mothers and ensure proper follow
 up ,in coordination with THF, for vaccinating their new born with HBV/HBIG within 24 hours of birth
 LHWs will maintain and share with THF antenatal record of all Hepatitis B positive mothers.
- Map all schools/maderrasas in their catchment area and share information with THF field coordinator. LHWs will support and facilitate THF field teams in vaccination coverage of refusal schools/maderrasas in their respective catchment area.
- Organize in collaboration with THF at least one awareness session for Hepatitis B & C in school/target general population in their respective catchment area.
- Include Hepatitis B & C as an agenda point in community based awareness program

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