


Infant and Young Child Feeding in Emergencies and the IFE Core Group: Strategies, directions and opportunities

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Who is the IFE Core Group?

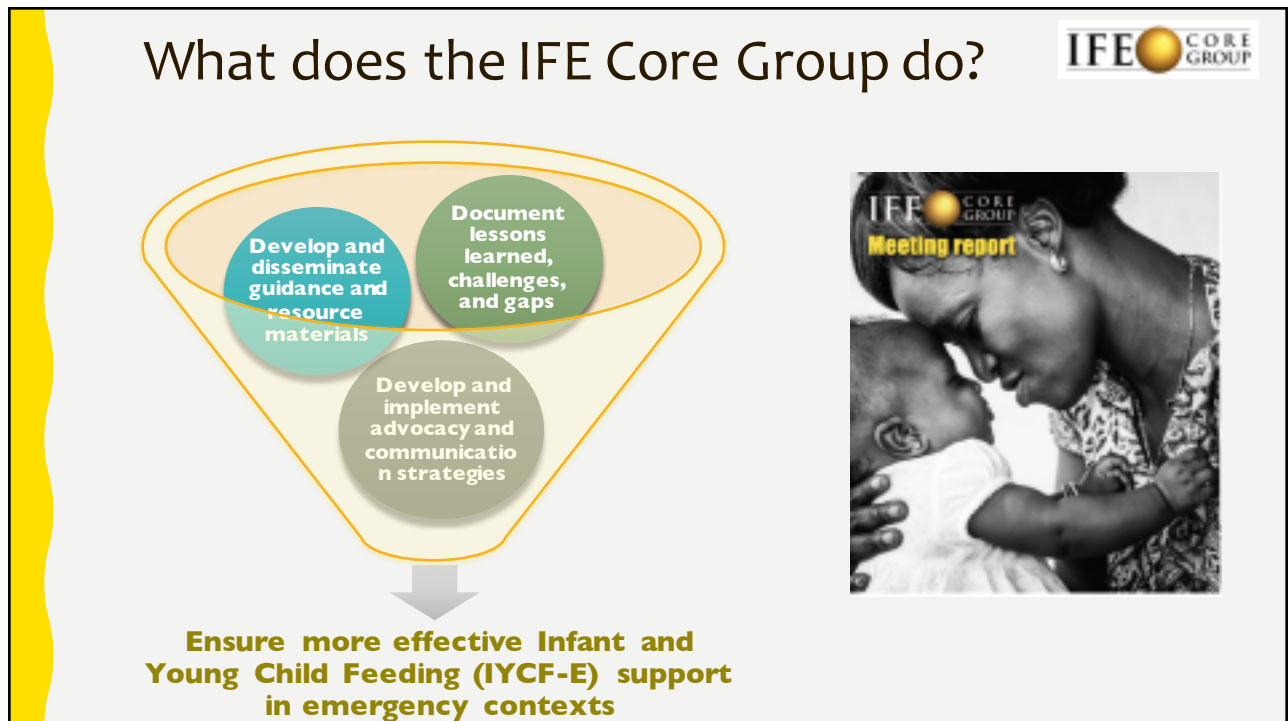
- Established in 1995. Created to respond to concerns and gaps related to **infant feeding during emergencies**.
- A global collaboration of agencies and individuals committed to the **protection, promotion, and support of infant and young child feeding in emergencies (IYCF-E)**.
- Together, dedicated to ensure more effective IYCF-E support in emergency contexts by **strengthening learning; guidance and policies; planning and capacity in IYCF-E**.

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Steering Committee





Let's remember WHY IYCF-E?

- In emergencies, children are vulnerable to malnutrition, illness and death; **child deaths can be two to seventy times higher than the average rate.**
- Lack of breastfeeding support and inappropriate distributions of BMS are challenges resulting in increased infant morbidity and mortality



22 years later



Ensuring that infants are **exclusively breastfed for the first six months,** and that **breastfeeding is continued** for two years or more with age-appropriate, adequate, and safe **complementary feeding**

Crucial in safeguarding the health of infants and young children.

Let's remember WHAT IS IYCF-E?



- **Protection, promotion, and support** of **safe and appropriate feeding for infants and young children in all types of emergencies**, with the goal of safeguarding their survival, health and growth.

Supporting the nutritional needs of:

- **Infants and young children from birth to two year of age**
- **Both breastfed and non-breastfed children**
- **Well-being of mothers**

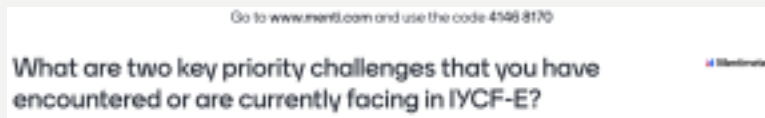


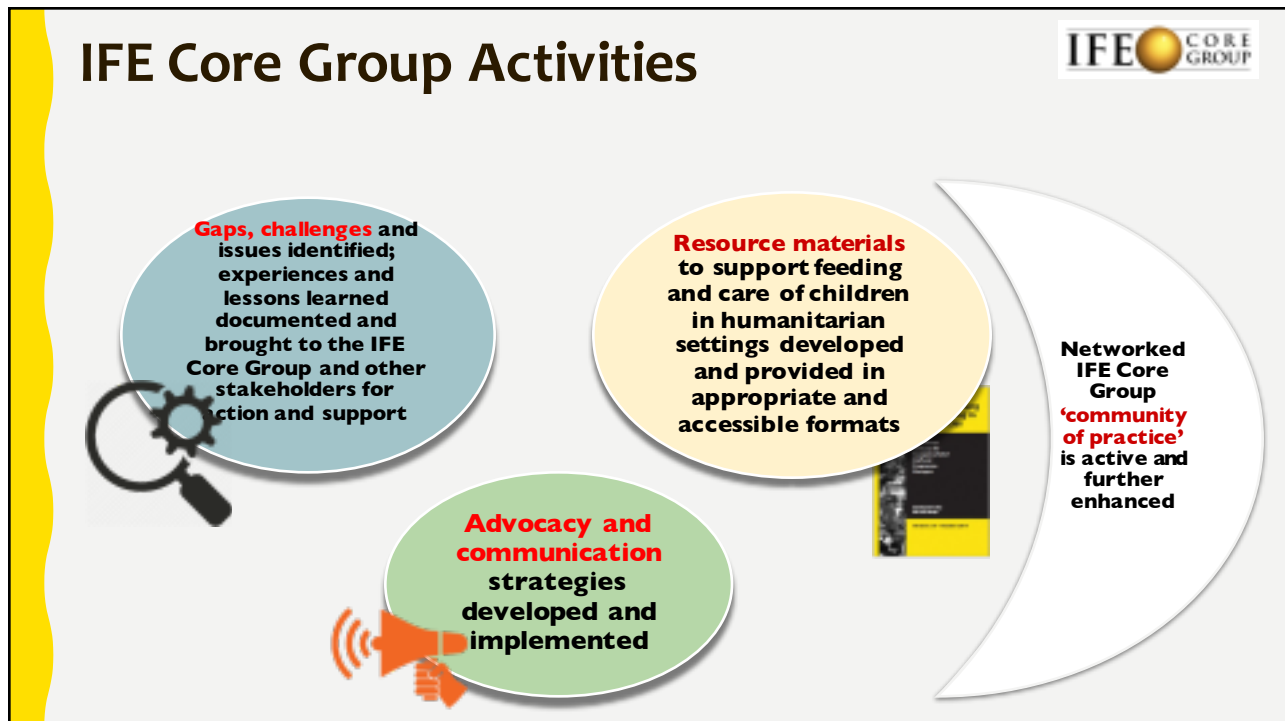



What are two key priority challenges (you faced or are facing) in relation to infant and young child feeding in emergencies in your work?

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Gaps, challenges and issues identified; experiences and lessons learned documented and brought to the IFE Core Group and other stakeholders for action and support




Track **issues and challenges** related to **active emergencies** and bring to the Community of Practice for action and support

Identify **gaps in knowledge and practice**; potential areas of **research** and identify ways of addressing








Document evidence, experiences and lessons learned including uptake of IYCF-E OG and other technical support

Understand challenges and gaps in IYCF-E to facilitate action and support



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Listening and observing to understand needs

Resource materials to support feeding and care of children in humanitarian settings developed and provided in appropriate and accessible formats

Develop and disseminate written guidance (FAQs, stop-gap, interim, infographics, etc.)





Provide technical support (webinars, respond to GNC-TA, etc.)




Request Support

Resource materials to support feeding and care of children in humanitarian settings developed and provided in appropriate and accessible formats



Existing resources









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What's new and in the pipeline?



Translate and disseminate material that help operationalise the IYCF-E OG














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Sharing and Learning Cafés 2021


Links to submission form:


English: <https://forms.gle/YaF5kRRWM2Upz2yq6>

French: <https://forms.gle/o1L4LZGuhqCtdSma9>

Arabic: <https://forms.gle/pZzR2sqVRbfE2sX7A>

Spanish: <https://forms.gle/3wBVYCLadpyv52Qi8>





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Advocacy and communication strategies developed and implemented



Engage with global platforms related to nutrition in emergencies (GNC, FSC, etc.)

Represent the IFE-CG in the WHA, World Breastfeeding conferences and other identified opportunities

Develop advocacy and communication strategies and undertake advocacy and communication activities related to the feeding and care of children in humanitarian contexts

IFE CORE GROUP



Advocacy members: Martina Ailly, Brooke Bauer, Jennifer Chang, Karen Corbett, Elizabeth Cummings, Sarahs Kofman, Linda Mutha, Barbara L. Underhill, Victoria Steiner, Jip Van der Wal.

Networked IFE Core Group 'community of practice' is active and further enhanced








Please tell us what you think the IFE Core Group can do to address challenges in IYCF-E

Please go to this form:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zblYCdLE4lepElcOowKoPGQOACdv05IEXIPI7MurjVs/edit>

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Infant and Young Child Feeding in Emergencies and the IFE Core Group: Strategies, directions and opportunities for engagement

Please tell us what you think the IFE Core Group can do to address challenges in IYCF-E

Name (optional)	Country/ Region	Organisation	Ways IFE Core Group can address your needs and challenges (e.g. conduct more webinars, engage with country offices, facilitate a discussion platform, develop a specific guidance, etc.)



How would you like to contribute to the collective effort of the IFE Core Group?

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I would like to (select all that apply): *

- Tell my colleagues about the IFE Core Group
- Share information about IYCF-E awareness and capacity building events (e.g. webinars) with colleagues
- Contribute to the development of material such as infographics etc.
- Contribute to the testing of material such as infographics etc.
- Contribute to the translation of material such as interim guidance, FAQs, infographics etc.
- Share some of my IYCF-E experiences in an IFE Core Group webinar
- Support the IFE Core Group in raising awareness about IYCF-E in different platforms (newsletters)
- Support the documentation of IYCF-E experiences and lessons learned (documentation)
- Provide peer support on IYCF-E via email (online)
- I don't think I can contribute to the collective at this time
- Other: _____

Questions and Answers



Jonathan Hyams / Save the Children

Please take a minute to answer the few evaluation questions!