

Case Study: Assessment

A recent natural emergency in X has led to the displacement of approximately 200,000 individuals from their villages. These individuals are now living in approximately 150 temporary UN-run camps in town and a few nearby villages. Three weeks have already passed, and you have now been given permission and access to conduct a child protection stand-alone assessment. Human resources are very tight due to the emergency response. You have been given access to 10 local social workers, who have limited experience with child protection issues. Using the readings and Dr. Ager's lecture as a basis, please explain what your process would be for collecting assessment data to inform the child protection response to the emergency. Consider and include your plans for: unit of measurement, sampling (who you would sample, what areas will you target? what sampling method(s) you would use), objectives (what are your primary objectives -- or research questions -- for the assessment?), methodology (what methods will you employ in the assessment), validity (how will you ensure your findings are valid?), analysis (who will lead the data analysis? What methods will be used in the analysis of the data?), coordination (who will be responsible for collecting which types of data? How will data be collected and transferred for analysis? How will the information be shared, and with whom will it be shared?), and a time line (how long will you spend training the team? How long will the assessment take? What will the general day-to-day plan be? How long will the analysis take? What methods will be used for analysis?). Make sure to explain WHY you have made your specific choices and how you think they are superior to other options you might have considered.