

Dr. Amira Shaheen, Palestine

Dr. Amira Shaheen is working on enhancing the response of health care system to gender based violence (GBV). Her work has the potential to increase identifications of women exposed to violence, that would positively influence their situation, mainly health. Dr. Shaheen was born in East Jerusalem, Palestine. She started her professional activities in public health on 2009, as a research assistant at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM), after obtaining a PhD in epidemiology and population health from there. Since her return to Palestine on 2011, Dr. Shaheen is working at An-Najah National University as an Assistant Prof. of epidemiology and population health. Where she taught courses for graduate and undergraduate health students. Dr. Shaheen, as well, is chairing the OWSD-Palestine National Chapter.

Dr. Shaheen research interests related to population health, particularly; women health, child health, injuries, violence, environmental health, and mental health. Her research has appeared in many leading international journals. Amira is an active member of several scientific communities including; child healthcare information for all (CHIFA), and international epidemiological association (IEA). Most recently, Amira, with other collaborators from the Bristol University, LSHTM, Brazi, Nepal, and Sri Lanka, was awarded an NIHR grant to enhance identification and referral of GBV cases in reproductive health setting for marginized Palestinian population. On 2019, Dr. Shaheen was awarded the OWSD-ELSEIVER Award for early career women in Science in Developing Countries.
