



Evaluation of PHEP-SPO Cohorts

Targeting EPI Officers at the

Governorate Level in Yemen

Project Information

- ◆ Department: Public Health Programs
- ◆ Unit: Polio and Immunization

SCOPE OF WORK

The main objective of this project is to assess the impact of the Public Health Empowerment Program – Surveillance for Polio Officers (PHEP-SPO) training on the performance of the Expanded Program on Immunization (EPI) officers in addition to the level of coordination with the surveillance officers for the best interest of the Yemeni health system.

REGIONS OF WORK

The project was implemented in Yemen.

BENEFICIARIES

The project's main beneficiaries are the EPI officers in the northern, southern, and eastern governorates that attended the PHEP-SPO cohorts.

PROJECT PHASES

This project involves three phases as the following:

Phase I – Preparations: Contract the consultant and prepare the evaluation protocol.

Phase II – Implementation: Conduct the evaluation.

Phase III – Closing: Conduct dissemination meeting.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

During this project, GHD evaluated the three PHEP-SPO cohorts to ensure training effectiveness, determine the effect of Public Health Empowerment Program “PHEP” training on the performance of EPI officers. A consultant was assigned to identify the impact indicators, design the evaluation protocol, and conduct the evaluation in coordination with the Yemen Ministry of Public Health and Population (MOPHP) and the relevant in-country stakeholders. A dissemination meeting will be conducted to display the evaluation results.

Project Start and End Date	October 1, 2019 – November 30, 2021
Partner Organizations	-
Funded by	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).
Collaborators	Ministry of Public Health (MoPH)



Currently . . .

Between the years 2017 and 2019, three PHEP-SPO training cohorts were conducted in Yemen and over 50 EPI officers were graduated. The training aimed at enhancing the EPI Officers skills to complement their current roles of supporting the MOPHP's efforts in sustaining polio eradication and strengthening routine immunization.

However, this training was not evaluated to ensure that its objectives were achieved, and this project is to evaluate the PHEP-SPOs training cohorts' impact and results that were conducted in Yemen.

What is next . . .

This evaluation will provide information about the program effectiveness and efficiency. By the end of the assessment, the MOPHP and GHD will be aware if this training achieved its desired objectives and they will agree on the needed actions to enhance the program, improve its effectiveness, and make informed decisions before conducting future cohorts. Consequently, achieving the goals of the training program in building the capacities of (EPI) staff in areas of disease surveillance and public health management.

OUTCOMES BY NUMBERS

18 EPI Officers attended PHEP-SPO first cohort in 2017.

19 EPI Officers attended PHEP-SPO second cohort in Sana'a (targeting northern governorates) between 2018-2019.

14 EPI Officers attended PHEP-SPO third cohort in Aden (targeting southern and eastern governorates) between 2018-2019.

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