OpenWHO News

The latest from WHO's open learning platform

HIGHLIGHTS

OpenWHO surpasses 2 million enrolments while providing real-time pandemic training

COVID-19 courses available in 19 languages and counting, and account for 75% of total enrolments

WHO Director-General highlights OpenWHO progress in COVID-19 speech

OpenWHO contributes to research body on COVID-19 with analysis of use case for online learning

Meeting the demand for real-time pandemic training

OpenWHO now hosts courses on 9 different topics to support the COVID-19 response, for a total of 58 resources across 19 languages:

1. A general introduction to emerging respiratory viruses, including novel coronaviruses;
2. Clinical care for Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI);
3. Health and safety briefing for respiratory diseases – ePROTECT;
4. Infection Prevention and Control for COVID-19;
5. COVID-19 operational planning guidelines and partners platform to support country preparedness and response;
6. SARI treatment facility design;
7. An introduction to Go.Data – field data collection, chains of transmission and contact follow-up;
8. How to put on and remove personal protective equipment (PPE) for COVID-19; and

LATEST COURSES

Standard precautions: Hand hygiene

COVID-19: How to put on and remove PPE

Introduction to Go.Data
In a speech on 15 April, Director-General Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus emphasized WHO’s commitment to training millions to fight the pandemic using OpenWHO:

"WHO is getting on with the job. We are continuing to study this virus every moment of every day, we are learning from many countries about what works, and we are sharing that information with the world.

There are more than 1.5 million enrolments in WHO’s online courses through OpenWHO.org, and we will continue to expand this platform to train many more millions so we can fight COVID effectively.

Today we launched a new course for health workers on how to put on and remove personal protective equipment.

Every day we bring together thousands of clinicians, epidemiologists, educators, researchers, lab technicians, infection prevention specialists and others to exchange knowledge on COVID-19."
2,243,774 Total course enrolments

140 Total active courses

30 Languages including Bengali, Indonesian, Lingala and Portuguese

190 Countries where users come from

432,000 new users in the last month!

1,261,147 April

Platform use by age group, with a significant increase among 70+ group

Countries with the most users
India(189606), Ecuador(110089), United States of America(86724), Mexico(67961), Bangladesh(55599), Colombia(48820), Pakistan(44158), Argentina(34952), Philippines(34204), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland(33641), Chile(32506), Saudi Arabia(29976), Nigeria(28544), Iraq(25043), Egypt(20806), Nepal(19860), Australia(18337), Canada(16996), Brazil(16985), Peru(16617)