

"This video was very helpful. For more knowledge of hand washing, we might share this video with our communities and neighborhoods." – OpenWHO user, hand hygiene course

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
9. Standard precautions for hand hygiene.

LATEST COURSES



Standard precautions: Hand hygiene



COVID-19: How to put on and remove PPE



Introduction to Go.Data

Real-time training for COVID-19
Free online courses from WHO experts



Intro to COVID-19 Health & safety Infection prevention & control Personal protective equipment Hand hygiene Clinical care Country capacitation Treatment facilities Field data tool

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Director-General speech highlights OpenWHO

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."

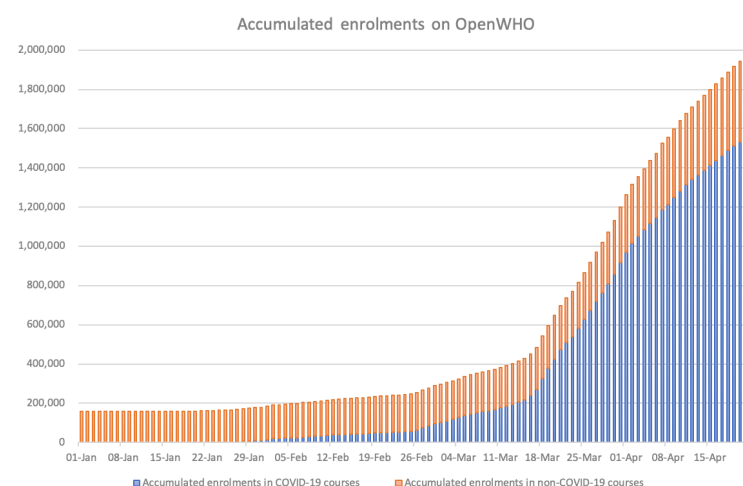
"Today we launched a new course for health workers on how to put on and remove personal protective equipment."

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

OpenWHO contributes to COVID-19 research

The *Journal of Medical Internet Research* published a peer-reviewed article authored by the OpenWHO team: "[Global Reach of an Online COVID-19 Course in Multiple Languages on OpenWHO in the First Quarter of 2020: Analysis of Platform Use Data](#)".

The aim of the paper was to investigate the geographic reach of different language courses accessed by a worldwide audience seeking information on COVID-19. It concluded that the online resources addressed a worldwide learning need by providing WHO's technical guidance packaged in simple formats for access and use.



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Total course enrolments



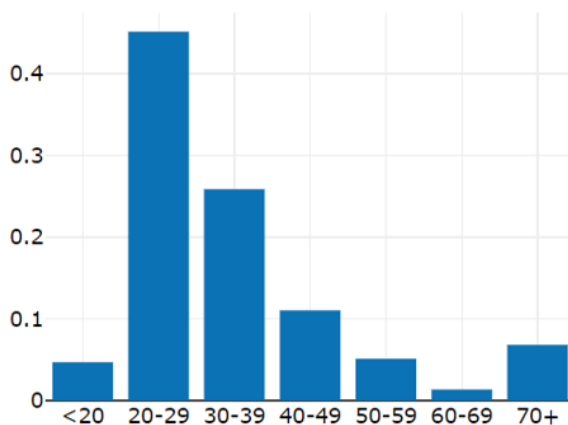
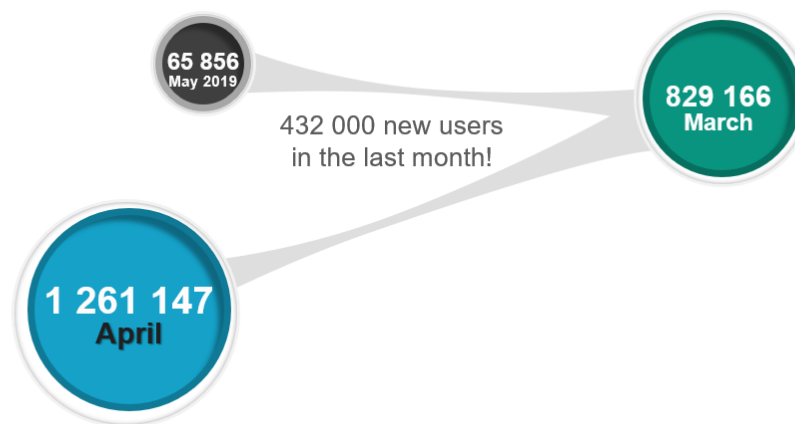
140
Total active courses



30
Languages including Bengali, Indonesian, Lingala and Portuguese



190
Countries where users come from



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)