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Project Information

◆ Department: Public Health Programs

Targeted Community Event-Based Surveillance (EBS) Training Workshop 2026 in Libya

OBJECTIVES

This workshop project aims to strengthen integrated community-based surveillance and response in Tripoli, Sirte, Bani Walid, and Zuwara by training surveillance officers and health volunteers on standardized EBS protocols, enhancing data reporting, coordination, and rapid response capabilities.

BENEFICIARIES

33 frontline surveillance officers, health volunteers, and NCDC (National Center for Disease Control) municipal branches in Tripoli, Sirte, Bani Walid, and Zuwara

REGIONS OF WORK

Libya

PROJECT PHASES

This project consists of four main phases:

Project Initiation and Planning Priority municipalities were identified based on epidemiological risk and population movement patterns. In coordination with NCDC sub-national branches, 35 surveillance officers and health volunteers were selected. Training objectives, curricula, logistics, and simulation scenarios were developed and finalized.

Project Implementation: A 4-day intensive EBS training workshop was successfully conducted in Tripoli. The workshop delivered practical training on signal detection, reporting systems, data flow, risk communication, and response coordination, using interactive exercises and simulation-based learning to strengthen applied surveillance competencies.

Project Monitoring and Evaluation: Participant learning and engagement were assessed through pre- and post-tests, simulation exercises, direct observation, and structured feedback sessions. The assessment process confirmed improvements in technical knowledge and operational understanding of EBS functions.

PROJECT PHASES

Project Closure: A final consolidated report was produced, documenting key results, participant performance, lessons learned, and recommendations. Coordination channels between NCDC branches and municipalities were reinforced, contributing to improved alignment of surveillance practices across the targeted areas.

Project Start and End Date	January 2026 – February 2026
Partner Organizations	Ministry of Health in Libya and the NCDCs in different municipalities
Funded by	UKHSA

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The project has been successfully completed, including all planned activities, training delivery, and evaluation processes. All 35 participants from the four municipalities have completed the EBS training, and municipal NCDC branches were actively engaged throughout implementation. Final reporting and documentation have been completed, capturing key outcomes, lessons learned, and recommendations for strengthening CBS/EBS systems. The project outputs are now being referenced to support ongoing efforts to standardize surveillance practices and improve coordination mechanisms at the municipal level.

What's next . . .

Following project closure, the results are expected to contribute to the continued strengthening of event-based surveillance systems within NCDC structures at the municipal level. The trained participants and established coordination channels provide a foundation for sustained application of standardized EBS practices, improved reporting workflows, and enhanced inter-municipal collaboration. Lessons learned from the implementation will inform future capacity-building initiatives and potential scale-up of similar training interventions in other municipalities.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This intervention was implemented to strengthen and standardize community-based surveillance (CBS)/event-based surveillance (EBS) mechanisms across four priority municipalities in Libya (Tripoli, Sirte, Bani Walid, and Zuwara). Led by EMPHNET|GHD in collaboration with the National Center for Disease Control (NCDC) and UKHSA, the project focused on enhancing early detection, reporting, and response capacities at the community level. It brought together surveillance officers and health volunteers to improve coordination between municipal NCDC branches and frontline actors, strengthen data flow and signal detection, and institutionalize standardized EBS practices through targeted, simulation-based capacity building.

By the Numbers

33 surveillance officers and health volunteers participating in the EBS Workshop - Libya

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