

"The platform OpenWHO has set up is brilliant! My only regret is not having learned of it a lot earlier. Thank you for this positive force. You are doing remarkably well! Keep it up!" - OpenWHO webinar participant

OpenWHO News

The latest from WHO's open learning platform

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WHO Director-General thanks OpenWHO learners at anniversary webinar with more than 1700 participants (p.1)

As OpenWHO turns 5, learners share personal reflections and express gratitude (p.2)

Podcast showcases OpenWHO's work to keep the world safe through online learning (p.2)

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Tedros champions open learning at 5-year webinar

More than 1700 people from across the globe gathered online on 1 June to celebrate the 5th anniversary of [OpenWHO.org](https://openwho.org), presenting an outpouring of support for open online learning.

The [webinar](#) kicked off with a greeting from WHO Director-General Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, who thanked learners for joining WHO's online courses for pandemics, epidemics and public health: "Health workers, decision-makers and the public need the latest science-based knowledge to respond safely and effectively when emergencies strike. Thank you for learning with us on OpenWHO," he said.

The 2-hour event also featured behind-the-scenes insights from WHO staff who have shaped the learning platform and a session with partners on disseminating learning in vulnerable settings. A special [anniversary webpage](#) was shared with more than 6300 people who expressed interest in the event, which includes a full webinar recording and an interactive timeline.

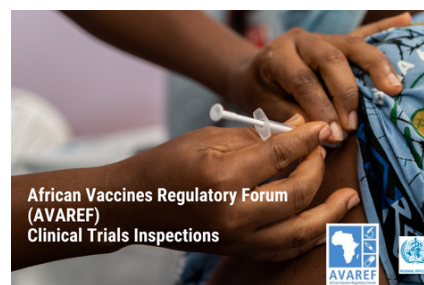
LATEST COURSES



Malaria elimination



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OpenWHO featured on thought leaders podcast

As OpenWHO celebrated 5 years of operations, the learning platform's role in providing trusted information during emergency response was highlighted on the openSAP Invites Thought Leaders podcast.

The episode featured Heini Utunen, who serves as Acting Head of the Learning and Capacity Development Unit in the WHO Health Emergencies Programme and manages the OpenWHO platform. You can listen to the podcast [here](#).

"Our contribution to the learning in public health is that of equity," Utunen said. "We believe that it's the cornerstone for any action that we take with learning materials and learning interventions to enable as many people as possible to access and utilize the materials and make it as easy as possible for the learner to join the learning journey."



Episode 20:
KEEPING THE
WORLD SAFE
THROUGH
ONLINE
LEARNING

In their own words: Feedback from learners

"OpenWHO has **changed my work life** as an architect in healthcare infrastructure. Thanks so much from South Africa."

"OpenWHO's courses have not only been a convenient, rich source of knowledge and source of my needed Continuing Education Units but also gave me and my **12-year-old daughter** who wants to be a doctor an avenue to bond when we learn a course together."

"I got to learn of this learning platform in late 2021, then serving as a volunteer **frontline epidemiologist** in the COVID-19 response in Uganda. Today I wish I had learnt of it earlier. I have found it to be a one-stop knowledge centre, enriching and offering solutions and guidance to real public health arising problems in my local context."

"Thank you for the opportunity to learn in OpenWHO. It's very useful for us **health workers** in the Philippines."

"I am from India (Pune). Actually since last year I have been with OpenWHO training and learning... and have also **shared my learning** with my family and my friend which was really a help to them."

"Marvelous work done by the OpenWHO team. Providing an open, free learning platform during the most challenging times involves real determination, **great vision** and hard work. Congratulations."

"Thank you OpenWHO for this golden opportunity to **upscale our skills** everyday. We're grateful from Sierra Leone and wish you prosperous anniversaries ahead."

OPENWHO ON SOCIAL MEDIA

WHO celebrated OpenWHO's 5th anniversary on [LinkedIn](#) and [Twitter](#). Share the posts with your networks!



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