Following the standard IMCI training course for 24 Iraqi physicians held in Amman last May using the <u>Iraq adapted version</u> of IMCI clinical guidelines and materials, a number of events were organized by the Child and Adolescent Health and Development unit (CAH) of the Regional office, in close collaboration with Iraqi Ministry of Health and the WHO country office for Iraq and assistance from the Ministry of Health and Population, Egypt, to develop local capacity for conducting IMCI training courses and follow-up visits after training in Iraq. A total of 11 Iraqi participants, selected among those who had attended the standard IMCI course in May, from 5 governorates in Iraq attended an intensive 5-day training course on facilitation skills to master IMCI training techniques, in Cairo, from 11 to 15 September 2005, followed by a 2-day training course on IMCI follow-up visit methodology and field visits to IMCI-implementing facilities in Egypt.

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