



A group photo of the participants during the training. Photo credit: WHO/WHO Country Office in Iraq

6 March 2024 – Rapid identification of health threats is vital for an effective response, especially in regions facing challenges like COVID-19, conflicts, floods and outbreaks. Given this urgency, the WHO Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean actively supports countries and territories to establish robust event-based surveillance (EBS) systems. This is an integral part of the regional strategy for integrated disease surveillance.

EBS sets out to systematically collect, monitor, assess and interpret mainly unstructured, ad hoc information about health events.

