

A workshop to build capacity of national IMCI coordinators and district staff in planning for IMCI implementation at district level was conducted in Suez, Egypt, from 16 to 19 February 2008. Technically and financially supported by the WHO Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean (EMRO) and conducted in Arabic, the four-day workshop was an opportunity not only to introduce the newly developed WHO/EMRO “Regional Guide on Planning for IMCI implementation at District level” to national coordinators from six countries (Egypt, Jordan, Morocco, Sudan, Tunisia and Yemen), but also to use it at the same time with 49 staff of six districts and with the participation of high-level officials of their respective governorates in Egypt. The outcome of the workshop was one-year plans of action for IMCI implementation developed for each district, including human resource development, health system support elements and community component.

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