



EMT TTT

Emergency Medical Teams Twinning, Training, Transfer of Knowledge

Context

Emergency medical teams (EMTs) are a key element of surge response capacity during national and international health crises, such as natural disasters and disease outbreaks. Strengthening EMT capacities is embedded in the approach of the WHO's EMT Initiative. This can be facilitated by supporting countries in building national EMT capacities and participating in emergency preparedness activities to improve response readiness to national and global health threats. In the first GHPP phase, the project implemented EMT twinning activities involving two German EMTs that had undergone the classification process and the respective partners in Georgia and Indonesia. Building on this pilot phase, the second phase will continue to implement the EMT twinning approach and will further expand collaboration to support EMT capacity-building in Namibia, Uganda, and Indonesia in partnership with three approved German EMTs. The project will also support regional emergency preparedness activities by providing EMT technical and coordination training in line with the EMT Coordination Cell (EMTCC) approach, in collaboration with WHO AFRO and EURO. Given the absence of a consolidated digitalised EMT system that allows monitoring and evaluation of all areas of work of the EMT Initiative, this project phase will support the consultancy services needed to develop an EMT Knowledge and Information Management tool.

Objective

Strengthening the development of national emergency medical teams (EMTs) and rapid response systems in the partner countries and enhancing of the impact and sustainability of the Emergency Medical Teams Initiative.

Key facts

Duration

1 January 2023 to 31 December 2025

Budget

~ EUR 2 million

Partner countries

Indonesia, Uganda, Namibia

Region

WHO AFRO, SEARO and EURO

**Implemented by**

Robert Koch Institute (RKI)

Commissioning party

German Federal Ministry of Health
(BMG)

Thematic focus

Strengthening of public health systems

Infection prevention and control

Clinical management

Activities



CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

EMT twinning activities involving three German EMTs that have undergone the classification process and the respective partners in Indonesia, Uganda, and Namibia, with a focus on infection prevention and control (IPC) in the Africa region



TRAINING AND COMPETENCE DEVELOPMENT

Development and implementation of regional EMT technical training and EMTCC training in coordination with the WHO EMT Secretariat



NETWORKING AND COOPERATION

Support for the development of the EMT Knowledge and Information Management Emergency Platform (KIMEP).

In cooperation with

- Ministry of Health and Social Services (MoHSS), Namibia
- Ministry of Health (MoH), Uganda
- Muhammadiyah Disaster Management Center (MDMC), Indonesia
- German EMTs:
 - Johanniter Auslandshilfe,
 - International Search and Rescue Germany e. V. (I.S.A.R. Germany),
 - Malteser International.
- World Health Organization (WHO) EMT Secretariat, global
- WHO Regional Offices for Europe, Africa and South East Asia (WHO/Europe, WHO/AFRO, WHO SEARO)

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