

Course 2

Global Immunization Recovery

Implementing the WHO Big Catch-Up Initiative on missed vaccinations

Module 1: Historical Impact of Vaccination Programs on Global Health

Examines the historical impact of vaccination programs and their crucial role in global public health. It explores the achievements of the Expanded Program on Immunization (EPI), quantifies lives saved by vaccines, and highlights the ongoing challenges in achieving universal vaccine coverage.

Module 2: Current Global Vaccination Gaps and WHO Data on Missed Vaccinations

Examines the impact of recent global events on immunization efforts, focusing on the regression in coverage rates and the emergence of zero-dose children. It introduces the IA2030 Framework for Action, analyzes outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases, and the complex factors contributing to immunization gaps worldwide.

Module 3: Big Catch-Up Information Pack for Regional and Country Teams

Provides a comprehensive overview of the Big Catch-Up initiative, including its rationale, objectives, and implementation strategies. It covers the application process, funding support, antigen eligibility, and guidelines for developing catch-up vaccination plans to address immunization gaps.

Module 4: (Part1 & Part2): State of Readiness to Effectively Deliver Polio Essential Functions

This module examines global readiness for non-GPEI polio functions, covering the Expanded Program on Immunization's 50-year impact, IA2030 implementation, and WHO/UNICEF 2023 estimates. It analyzes the Big Catch-Up initiative's impact on reducing zero-dose children, explores regional disparities, and addresses challenges in achieving full immunization coverage. The module emphasizes data-driven approaches and strategies for outbreak prevention in a changing global landscape.